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RAPID PROGRESS MADE IN WORK OF MERGING INDEPENDENT PLANTS.

MANY MORE OPTIONS TAKEN; WANT ALL OF THEM IN THIS WEEK.

Backers Expect That Practically All the Independent Plants In the Region Will Be Included.

BUSY TIMES FOR J. W. BOILEAU

Agent of Syndicate Puts in Big Day at Uniontown Taking Options and More Are Constantly Being Sent In. Preparations Being Made to Appraise Plants.

The proposed merger of the independent coking interests of the Connellsville regions has made rapid progress during the past week, and has arrived at a decisive state. Its final and complete success depends upon the turning in of options promptly. The underwriters want to know this week if possible just what they will be expected to provide for. Much work remains to be done between this time and the date set for concluding the deal. The plants will have to be appraised and the plans for financing the whole deal will have to be completed. The underwriters, it must be understood, will have to be prepared to furnish sufficient money to take over the bulk of the properties on a cash basis if so desired by the optioners. It will be entirely optional with the operators whether they take securities of the company, or the cold cash, for their option prices.

John W. Boileau, the representative of the underwriters, spent Tuesday in Uniontown, and in company with George D. Howell, attorney for the syndicate, himself a representative operator, lifted a number of options. These were turned over. A number of others are promised this week. There is a feeling that it is time to act. It has been reported that the operators have until July 1, to present their options, but this report is unwarranted. The sooner the papers are in the hands of the merger representatives the sooner definite action will be taken.

It is stated that about 65 plants have been optioned to date and it is now expected that virtually all of the plants will be turned in, but some of the operators are deliberate in their decisions, apparently not appreciating the work the underwriters and merger interests generally will have to do after the options are turned over to them and before the date set to take them up.

Mr. Boileau returned last Sunday from New York where he was in conference with Charles McKnight, President of the National Bank of Western Pennsylvania of Pittsburg, who is one of the central financial figures in the deal. All day Monday, Mr. Boileau was in constant communication with Mr. McKnight, who has remained in New York, furnishing him with detailed information concerning the options, for the use of the financial interests in the East with whom Mr. McKnight is in touch. While in New York, Mr. McKnight was in conference with the Rainey interests, and though nothing is given out for publication the details or the results of that conference, it is stated that, in spite of the long-continued policy of the Rainey interests to remain independent, there is a strong probability of their merger on satisfactory terms.

The backers of the enterprise have reached the stage where they expect to shortly begin an appraisal of the plants, as to their physical condition verification of coal in place, and their respective advantages and disadvantages for operation. It is likely that the appraisers will be persons in touch with the general conditions of the region, and who have no interest in any plant whatever, as it is the desire of the backers of the merger to arrive at fair conclusions with regard to each plant which has been optioned.

James B. Hogg, the well known civil and mining engineer of Connellsville, was in conference with Mr. Boileau at Pittsburg last Monday, and it is possible that he will be named as one of the appraisers, or will act in an advisory capacity to them. Mr. Hogg is well informed in regard to operations throughout the region, having worked for years in the region and being familiar with the local conditions in various portions of the upper and lower fields.

Steel Construction Helps Copper.

Increasing steel construction work has greatly helped the copper market in the past few weeks owing to the fact that work into which steel goes requires a proportionate amount of copper equipment. It is stated that the improvement in copper has closely followed that in steel.

JUDGE STEEL BUYS COAL.

Acquires Additional Holding In Belmont County, Ohio.

GREENSBURG, May 4.—Judge John B. Steel has closed a deal whereby he becomes the owner of 1,200 acres of coal in the Captina valley, in Belmont county, Ohio. The tract is in the center of the Pittsburg basin.

The purchase gives Judge Steel control of approximately 8,000 acres in Belmont county, making him the third largest holder in the district.

STEEL CORPORATION BUYS ILLINOIS COAL

Acquires Big Fuel Interest in That State and Also in Indiana.

The United States Steel Corporation has acquired control of the Little Vermilion coal properties at Georgetown, Ill., in the heart of the Danville mining district. The mine is rated as having a capacity of 3,000 tons a day and is considered one of the best coal properties of the State.

This as well as other recent purchases of coal mines and measures in Illinois and Indiana by the Steel Corporation is ascribed to an intent to provide an ample supply of fuel for the great steel producing plants of the Corporation at Gary, Hammond and South Chicago.

The purchase of the Little Vermilion was made through the agency of the Bunsen Coal Company, with offices in the Commercial National Bank building, Chicago, acting for the Illinois Steel Company, which bought for its parent concern.

In addition to this purchase, the Illinois Steel Company has secured valuable properties in and around the Danville district, in the neighborhood of the Clinton, Ind., coal fields, and is said to have purchased several thousand acres of coal lands in the southern districts of Indiana and Illinois.

It is pointed out that the increase of manufacturing industries under the management of the United States Steel Corporation at the foot of the lakes makes it absolutely necessary that the proper coal supply at the lowest possible rate be insured for the future. With this end in view it is declared the Steel Corporation employed various means for its accomplishment.

THOMPSON HAS NOT BOUGHT ILLINOIS COAL

Banker States That He Has Not Invested One Dollar in Western Acreage.

Josiah V. Thompson of Uniontown denies a report which was industriously spread by trade newspapers some weeks ago that he had purchased coal lands in Illinois. Attention has been centered on western coal lands for some time by reason of the report that the United States Steel Corporation considered the coal as having coking value.

To a representative of The Weekly Courier Mr. Thompson took occasion to say yesterday that he has not invested one dollar in western coal lands and his manner was sufficient evidence that Greene county and Western Pennsylvania are good enough for him. The Weekly Courier printed the current report concerning Mr. Thompson's alleged purchases and is pleased to add his positive denial to the rumor, as its sense of fairness would permit nothing less. The reports came from apparently authentic sources and Mr. Thompson could not be reached at the time to secure his version as to the reports.

CHARTER FOR NEW RAILROAD FILED

Charles Hood of Connellsville and Associates Will Build Rockwood and Bakersville Railroad.

SOMERSET, May 12.—A charter incorporating the Rockwood & Bakersville Railway Company has been placed on record in the court house. This concern has secured a number of rights of way recently and indications are that work will be commenced shortly. The charter will be in force for 100 years. The company proposes to construct a railway line nine miles long between the two towns, Rockwood and Bakersville. The charter provides that the road shall extend "from a point near the mouth of Glade Run; near the western line of Rockwood Borough, to a point near the Laurel Hill creek, near the southern end of Bakersville."

The concern is capitalized at $90,000, thus providing $10,000 for each mile of track. The stock will be issued in $50 shares of which there will be $1,800. Of this number of shares 400 have been subscribed by the incorporators. The President of the new concern is Charles F. Hood, a business man of Connellsville, who is well known in Somerset. The following are the Board of Directors: John M. Stauffer of Scottdale; James S. Braddock, of Mt. Pleasant; F. L. Brown of Scottdale; De Read Stuffer, of Scottdale; Samuel F. Hood, of Connellsville; Edward H. Werner of Somerset; J. L. Shick of Connellsville. Harold L. Robinson of Uniontown is also one of the subscribers.

Colonial Starts More Ovens.

Additional ovens are being placed in operation at Grindstone this week by the Colonial Coke Company owned by the Pittsburg Coal Company. About 200 more ovens are to be fired.

School For Foreigners.

Citizens of Canonsburg, Pa., have formed an organization for the promotion of education among the foreigners.

MORE OVENS ARE IN OPERATION AND PRODUCTION MAKES GAIN; SHIPMENTS AND PRICES SLUGGISH.

Frick Company Makes a Number of Changes at Its Plants, Increasing Ovens at the More Modern Works and Curtailing at Others—Sentiment In Iron and Steel Circles Is Less Optomistic.

Aggregate production for both regions increased about 14,000 tons last week as compared with the previous week, this being due to a total increase of 550 ovens in operation and also to the fact that most of the additional ovens fired were at the more modern plants and therefore of larger capacity. This accounts for a portion of the increase in production throughout the region. Total shipments for the week fell off several hundred cars but the close of the preceding week saw such a clearing up of standing loads at some plants, that the standing loads in the region at this writing are about 900 cars, or less than has been the case for some time.

The general situation has not greatly changed. With a slight fluctuation in production, prices remain about the same, although some concerns report an increase in orders and inquiries. Business continues to be placed at much the same old, low, figures. The better feeling in iron and steel circles, has been followed by a reaction and authorities at present do not look for as much business this summer, as had been previously expected. While coke operators remain in a more hopeful frame of mind, for various reasons, it must be stated that little of the expected wave of improvement is as yet at hand in the Connellsville region and in some quarters a pretty dull summer is expected. Operators as a rule are feeling better over the prospects of the proceeding coke merger than they are over market conditions as they exist today.

A number of low-price coke contracts are running for the next few months and while many inquiries to cover requirements for the balance of the year are at hand, they are accompanied in some cases by such low bids that operators are ignoring the business at the prices offered. One operator, Harry Whyel, expressed the situation to The Weekly Courier by saying: "We have had more inquiries and orders in the past few days than we have had for six months but prices remain about the same." Foundry coke continues firm.

With an increase in the number of ovens in operation throughout both regions, running time remains the same. The H. C. Frick Coke Company, W. J. Rainey and the Oliver & Snyder Steel Company ran five days during the week. The average at other plants remained about the same.

The Orient Coke Company fired 80 additional ovens on Monday of this week, making a total of 320 ovens in operation at this plant.

The H. C. Frick Coke Company has recently made the following changes in operations at its plants: Increases, Colliers, 250 to 300 ovens, Dorothy, 100 to 150; Hecla No. 2, 150 to 200; Juniata, 200 ovens fired; Shoaf, 200 to 250; United, 150 to 200; York Run, 200 to 250; Bridgeport, 50 to 100; Footedale, 200 to 250; Ronco, 250 to 300; decreases, Baggaley, 400 to 300 ovens; Brinkerton, 200 to 150, Lemont No. 2, 250 to 200, Southwest No. 1, 400 to 321; Standard, 550 to 500; Trotter, 400 to 250, Wynn, 216 to 200; Youngstown, 180 to 160.

Increases by independents during the past week in both regions were as follows: Fort Hill plant of the W. J. Rainey, 100 to 125 ovens; Grace plant of the same concern, 100 to 104; Humphrey works of the Bessemer Coke Company, 20 ovens fired; Hoover of James Hoover & Company, all of the 60 ovens fired; Martin, controlled by the Republic Iron & Steel Company, 163 to 171; Thompson No. 1 of the Thompson-Connellsville Coke Company 80 ovens fired. No. 2 plant of the same company, 60 ovens fired, Teresa or the Sunshine Coal & Coke Company, 50 to 100, Tower Hill plant of the Tower-Hill Connellsville Coke Company, 52 ovens fired; No. 2 plant of the same company, 114 to 176.

Decreases in operations during the past week at independent plants were as follows: Marthabel plant of the Northern Connellsville Coke Company, 40 to 30 ovens. Paul plant of W. J. Rainey, 225 to 202; Brownsville plant of the Brownsville Coke Company, all of the 50 ovens banked; Dorothy plant of the Jacobs Creek Coke Company, 34 to 24; Edna works of the Waltersburg Coke Company, 149 to 100; Garwood plant of the Dunlap-Connellsville Coke Company, 22 to 20 ovens.

Market quotations are as follows: Spot furnace coke, $1.60 to $1.75; furnace coke for delivery during the last two quarters, $1.65 to $2.00; spot foundry coke, $2.00 to $2.25; foundry coke for delivery during the last two quarters, $2.25 to $2.50, according to grade.

The American Metal Market and Daily Iron and Steel Report says:

Bars, plates and shapes have been advanced by all interests 10 dollars a ton, making bars 1.20c and plates and shapes 1.30c, the prices first developed on the February break. The advanced prices are being made only for delivery to January 1.

The advances were made partly because the mills are fairly well filled for the present, and partly because it was recognized that buyers were placing orders a little too freely in proportion to the known rate of consumption.

There has been considerable buying to replenish stocks, while in addition a number of buyers have been discovered taking tonnages which they could not normally take care of in the 1909 specified.

The steel bar business of the agricultural implement makers has been nearly all closed, some interests getting in to better advantage than others, while a few did not get in at all, and are making complaint. Hitherto the agricultural business has fallen for the twelve months beginning July 1 was taken at a flat price, but this year the minimum prices were made only to January 1, there being various provisions for a slightly advanced price after January 1 if the open market justifies the position.

It is strongly expected that, in general, buyers have overestimated rather than underrated the prospective volume of consumption in their buying during the past few weeks, and the trade will probably have reason to congratulate itself if the present rate of production and the prices at bottom for coking can be maintained over the next three months.

Barring the railroads, which are not buying at more half the 1906-07 rates, buyers of steel products have been doing about as well in the past month or six weeks as they ever did, so that there is no prospect of their being able to do better.

Pig iron in the Central West has not maintained the much more buoyant feeling which appeared a week or ten days ago, and the market is practically at unchanged prices, although it is more difficult to buy for third quarter or second half at spot prices.

Following are freight rates on coke per ton of 2,000 pounds in car load lots from the Connellsville and Lower Connellsville regions:

Boston	$3.50
Buffalo	1.90
Baltimore	2.15
Cleveland	1.65
Columbus	1.65
Cincinnati	2.10
Chicago	2.65
East St. Louis	2.80
Hamilton, Ont.	2.20
Joliet	2.65
Louisville	2.65
New York	2.85
Pittsburg	.80
Philadelphia	2.15
Richmond, Va.	3.04
Toledo	2.25
Valley Furnaces	1.35

West Virginia Coke Prices.

No change has occurred in coke prices prevailing in West Virginia which remain as follows: Wise county furnace coke, $1.60 to $1.85. Wise county foundry, $2.00 to $2.25. Pocahontas furnace, $1.65 to $1.85; Pocahontas foundry, $1.85 to $2.25 per ton.

PRODUCTION.

For the week ending Saturday, May 8, 1909.

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville	24,342	14,041	16,301	152,081
L. C'ville	13,778	8,175	5,603	92,198
Total	38,120	22,216	15,904	244,279

MANUFACTURED.

District	By Consumer.	For Market.
Connellsville	126,116	51,957
L. Connellsville	32,100	30,095
Total	158,216	82,052

Previous Week.

Districts.	Ovens.	In.	Out.	Tons.
C'ville	24,342	13,874	10,468	112,829
L. C'ville	13,778	7,791	5,987	80,668
Total	38,120	21,665	16,455	193,507

MANUFACTURED.

District	By Consumer.	For Market.
Connellsville	111,089	51,750
L. Connellsville	28,100	38,568
Total	139,189	90,318

SHIPMENTS.

Aggregate from both regions in cars for the week ending May 8, 1909.

To Pittsburg District	3,438
To Points West of Pittsburg	4,500
To Points East of Connellsville	754
Total	8,692

Previous Week.

To Pittsburg District	3,072
To Points West of Pittsburg	4,249
To Points East of Connellsville	740
Total	8,061

[For complete tables of ovens in blast in both regions see pages 2 and 3.]

SOME NEW PLANTS ARE PROJECTED.

Contracts Let to Develop Small Tracts of Land Recently Purchased.

SPRINGHILL COAL IS SOLD

Several New Operations Are Also on the Stocks in Irwin Coal, Located in Westmoreland County—Uniontown Operators Are Active.

Activity in transfers of coking lands and coking properties has taken a spurt during the past ten days. A number of new plants have been projected in various parts of both regions and deals are pending for the acquisition by new owners of parcels of coal lands in various parts of the field.

Christian Eckard and others of Uniontown, have applied for a charter for the Fayette Connellsville Coke Company and have let contracts for the immediate erection of a block of 30 ovens to develop 90 acres of coal which they have purchased in Springhill township. It is understood that the same men are negotiating for a considerable additional acreage and are planning a total of about 100 ovens. The work on the first batch of ovens is well under way and these are expected to be completed within 60 days.

George G. Gans of Uniontown has bought back from George W. Wilson of the Iron City Coal & Coke Company, a one-half interest in the Brownsville coke works near Brownsville, which Mr. Wilson purchased from Mr. Gans several months ago. The deal at that time involved some other matters, it is understood, and the outcome was that Mr. Gans took back his interest and now is again the sole owner of the Brownsville plant. Mr. Gans has shut down the plant for the present, the last coke having been drawn last week.

John R. Carothers of Uniontown, owner of the Annamyra plant, has put ovens in place. In addition to this acre of surface near Madison, Westmoreland county, from John S. Shumaker at the rate of $1,000 per acre for the coal. Mr. Carothers will build a 60 oven plant. In addition to this acreage, Mr. Carothers owns 15 acres, known as the Kelly property, in the same neighborhood. All this coal is on the eastern outcrop of the Irwin basin.

George Whyel has purchased a tract of about 100 acres in the same territory fronting on the new Yukon branch of the Pennsylvania railroad and has made plans for the erection of a 100-oven plant.

A coal deal involving $100,000 took place last week at Bedford by which J. C. Work, Francis Rocks, Peter E. Sheppard and B. J. Tuit of Uniontown have acquired 700 acres of land and coal in Monongalia and Wetzel counties, W. Va. The tract was part of the coal holdings of A. P. Egolf and Patrick Hughes of Bedford, Oscar D. Foty, of Everett, and H. L. Smathers of DuBois.

HEROULT FURNACE STARTS.

New Electric Smelter Placed in Operation at Chicago.

Smelting iron ore by the aid of electricity is now in progress at the South Chicago plant of the United States Steel Corporation. The furnace was turned on in one of its experimental Heroult furnaces last week.

The furnace is of circular horizontal section with a diameter of about 11 feet with a dome top and bottom and mounted so as to tilt like a Jones mixer for the pouring of the metal. Through the top of the furnace are suspended three electrodes, each 16 inches square, and the terminals to which the electrodes connect are so arranged as to permit of the tilting of the furnace. A three phase, 25 cycle alternating current at 110 volts is used. The bottom is covered with a bed of coke. The particular application of this furnace with regard to which experiments are now to be conducted is the removal of phosphorus under the heat of the electric arc following the treatment of the hot metal in the Bessemer converter.

Should the electric furnace prove successful in thus removing phosphorus, the discarding of Bessemer plants may be indefinitely postponed.

BY-PRODUCT OVENS FOR GARY PLANT

Steel Corporation Will Ship Coking Coal to Big New Base in the West.

The United States Steel Corporation announces that 700 by-product ovens will be erected at Gary, Ind., in connection with the great steel plant which is being completed there and that the product of these ovens will be used for the blast furnaces and that the men saved from the ovens will be used to supply the town of Gary.

The announcement is of special interest to the Connellsville region as it appears to bear out the report that no beehive ovens will be built at any of the four new plants which the H. C. Frick Coke Company has had out to develop coking coal in the Lower region at Filbert, Palmer, Ralph and Sarah. A total of about 1,900 ovens had been planned for two of these works while the others were originally intended for coal shipping plants. The shafts and arrangements for shipping coal at these plants are rapidly nearing completion but for the present no beginning has been made on the construction of ovens there. While this may not signify that no ovens will be built at any of these plants in future, the indications are that for the present such is the case.

Coal from the Connellsville region and from West Virginia, in proportions, is to be shipped to the Gary by-product ovens and mixed in certain proportions for the manufacture of coke. It is not expected that the by-product ovens this far planned for Gary will be enough to supply the large battery of furnaces which will be in blast there and it is expected that additional by-product ovens will be built at this works. For the present the furnaces will use West Virginia and Connellsville coke and are likely to use the straight oven product for some time at least, and later, in part.

Fire 100 Ovens.

The Mt. Pleasant Coal & Coke Company at its plant located on the Isaac George and St. Xavier's farms near Latrobe started 100 ovens yesterday, the company having received orders sufficient to keep them going.

Get a New Industry.

Through the efforts of the Uniontown Merchants Association the Cosmopolitan Engineering Company of Pittsburg, which manufactures ornamental and structural iron, will locate there.

Coal Company Objects.

The Pittsburg Coal Company has filed 18 reasons why a road through Franklin township, near Smock, should not be opened.

WORK OF EDUCATION WILL COVER THE COKE REGION.

Connellsville Field to Be Next Scene of Campaign for Y. M. C. A. Mining Institute Movement.

GREAT WORK IS BEING DONE

Uplift Has Been Felt in Many Parts of the Bituminous Field—Help and Encouragement For the Men and Boys of the Mines.

The close of the winter's work of the Pennsylvania Y. M. C. A. in the mining communities of the State finds that work materially advanced. In the bituminous field where the work was started much progress has been made in the establishment of local and district institutes, classes for miners and social features of an uplifting character for the men and boys of the mines.

Following the closing of the season's work comes the announcement by State Superintendent C. L. Fay of Greensburg that the feature of the coming year's work in the bituminous fields will be an active campaign through the entire Connellsville coke region which is to begin in September. Considerable work has already been done in some portions of the region but the greater part remains untouched. During the past year excellent work has been done by the local institutes at Scottdale, Greensburg and Brownsville but much more remains to be accomplished. Many operators and managers are deeply interested in the work.

During the past year the various institutes in the entire bituminous field have had a total attendance of about 1,000 men. Those men have made evident their interest in the movement by joining the local associations, attending meetings and classes for instruction and in helping to keep the movement on its feet financially. Operators have also contributed money and personal efforts to this work.

Mr. Fay left this week for a vacation of several months, going first to Cambridge Springs. Later he will go to California. He is greatly in need of rest and those who know his strenuous field work and unbounded devotion to the movement, were pleased to hear that he had been granted a furlough for recuperation.

Speaking of conditions as they now are Mr. Fay said before leaving:

"In the campaign which will begin in the fall we will pay special attention to the Connellsville coke region. Plans for this campaign had been made and were to have been put into effect this year but owing to the financial condition of the region and the fact that the men needed every cent which they earned, we felt that the time was perhaps inopportune. With betters conditions we will localize our movement in every mining community in the region. We particularly desire to reach the foreigners. They are often looked upon as unworthy of attention. Nothing could be further from the truth. They come to this country to improve themselves. A man who will leave his native home and cross the ocean to a new land has ambition. The majority of them when they arrive are ambitious and teachable.

"In this movement thus far we have but scratched the surface. There is a great work of education to be performed. We want to get into touch with the foreigners the men and the boys of the mines. Not only are the men helped by the classes to their own improvement but we want to bring them into the thought-life of the Association brotherhood. Creed has nothing to do with the matter. Political, sectarian or religious discussions are barred at our meetings. Self-interest and general interest meet in the work we are doing."

The district meeting which was to have been held at Greensburg last Saturday was postponed owing to various other events in the field and this meeting will probably not be held until September. The big closing meeting of the year's work in this section took place at Monongahela last Friday evening and was attended by 300 members who gathered about the banquet table in the evening. The meeting was devoted to the usual discussions of mining problems. George Waugh of Hackett read a paper on "Explosives." S. P. Howell, Assistant Engineer at the United States Testing Station discussed various tests and Arthur Neale of Fayette City, spoke on "Electricity in Mining." Dr. G. K. Hays discussed first aid to the injured. The feature of the banquet oratory was an address by W. W. Keefer, General Manager of the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal & Coke Com-

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WILL BUILD BIG FURNACE PLANT.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Co. Rushes Four Stacks to Completion.

PART OF ALIQUIPPA WORKS

Big New Tin Mill Under Way in West Virginia—Heavy Rail Orders Are Expected Shortly By Steel Makers Big Carnegie Tonnage.

Current announcements in the iron and steel trade confirm the probability of a marked improvement which is expected to gather volume in the early future. Projects for furnace and mill extensions which have been held in abeyance are about to be resumed and pushed to completion while on the business side of the situation, heavy rail orders from a number of systems are believed to be due. It is said the Harriman railroad projects are ready to place rail orders running from 50,000 to 100,000 tons while several other roads who are only in need of rails are expected to order shortly.

How the railroads have held off buying rails is shown by the interesting piece of information gleaned by The Weekly Courier that the Baltimore & Ohio railroad has gone through its old rail piles three times during the past year for repair and renewal work on local sections.

The Jones & Laughlin Steel Company announces that it will push work on its four projected blast furnaces at the big new Aliquippa plant and the material for them will be assembled as rapidly as possible. The Pittsburg & Lake Erie railroad will create a large local yard at Aliquippa to handle the forthcoming traffic from the new plant which includes mills of great size and capacity. The company hopes to complete the four furnaces by October and will put them into operation as fast as completed. These furnaces will be of great burden modern in every respect and will require a maximum amount of coke. It is now understood that the splendid new bridge which the Pittsburg & Lake Erie threw over the Ohio river at Beaver was to enable it to handle the larger and heavier trains which will be loaded at Aliquippa.

The Carnegie Steel Company, part of the United States Steel Corporation announces that it booked more business during April than during any April in the history of the concern.

Ground was broken last week for the construction of an independent tin plate plant at Hollidays Cove, W. Va., by the Phillips Sheet & Tin Plate Company at a cost of $1,000,000.

Pig iron prices on all grades continue firmer and foundry irons particularly show this tendency. A number of furnaces which make a specialty of foundry irons have announced positive minimum prices with the probabilities of an increase.

MARIANNA SUFFERERS SCATTERED EVERYWHERE

Relief Committee is Searching For 90 Dependants, All of Whom Are Now in Europe.

The Marianna mine disaster relief committee has started the task of distributing the $35,000 raised by popular subscription for the helpless dependents who lost their breadwinners in the Pittsburg-Buffalo disaster last November in Washington county.

The work of distribution will it is believed require all of nine months. The basis adopted by the committee was $200 for each widow and $100 for each child under 16 years. The most perplexing detail of the distribution is the fact that 90 of the dependents who are entitled to share in the fund must be found in Russia, Austria or other sections of Eastern Europe, their claims investigated and the money turned over to them. In these foreign cases the committee is paying in a ratio of 50 per cent of the American basis of settlement on the theory the money will go twice as far in the fatherland.

In some cases the payments to the wives and children are made in lump sums, in others by installments as personal investigation seems to show advisable. The feature of the distribution in which Secretary J. W. War drop takes the greatest pride is the fact that not one cent of the fund proper is diverted to the committees expenses—all the incidentals even to postage and legal fees being borne by the Pittsburg-Buffalo Company. So that every cent contributed to the Marianna sufferers actually reaches them.

ANOTHER ARMORY

Contractor Hurst of Mt. Pleasant Secures Blairsville Job.

The State Armory Board has let the contract for the building of the armory for Company I, Fifth Infantry, at Blairsville to Frank H. Hurst of Mt. Pleasant for $21,782. This will be the third armory erected for the State by Contractor Hurst, the other two being at Mt. Pleasant and Connellsville.

When completed the lot and building will cost $27,000 of which amount $2,000 was contributed by the people of Blairsville.

FOR SAFETY IN MINES.

West Virginia Mine Chief Issues New Order for June 1.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 8.—That he has succeeded in solving to a great extent the problem of mine explosions in West Virginia, is the belief of Chief John Laing of the Department of Mines who will issue an order that after June 1 the so called safety powders must be used at all mines where shot firers are not employed.

The Lick Run mine of the Pocahontas Consolidated Collieries Company which blew up twice within two weeks last winter will reopen next Monday and experienced shot firers will hereafter be used as will be the case in all the mines of the Pocahontas region after June 1. In the New River and Kanawha fields the safety powder will be used principally.

COAL SYNDICATE GETS CRITICISM

Merger in Ohio and West Virginia Is Reported as Tending to Monopoly.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 12.—An account of the organization and operation of various coal companies in Ohio and West Virginia and their merging into one company alleged to be controlled by a syndicate of railroad companies is given in a report to Congress today by the Inter State Commerce Commission.

The Trunk Line syndicate consists of the Pennsylvania, the Baltimore & Ohio, the New York Central, the Zanesville & Western, the Kanawha & Michigan, the Wheeling & Lake Erie, the Chesapeake & Ohio and the Norfolk & Western. A description is given of the manner in which the various coal companies and railway companies in this region finally were merged into the Sunday Creek Company.

It seemed to the commission after a long consideration of the mergers and manipulations described in the report that the railway companies by various devices sought to discourage the further development of coal mines in the Ohio and West Virginia territory. The commission says that the interest of the railroad officials in their coal companies and the guaranty by the railways furnished an incentive to discourage further development of coal mines and so far as possible to retain these coal companies a monopoly of the coal transported by these railroads.

BANK CREDITORS GET A DIVIDEND

Mt. Pleasant Institution Makes Another Distribution Making 60 Per Cent in All.

MT. PLEASANT, May 8.—Another thrill of joy was brought to depositors of the defunct Farmers & Merchants National Bank yesterday when the third dividend, one of ten per cent, was paid.

The total sum which will be paid out by reason of this ten per cent dividend will be approximately $55,000. The last dividend makes a total of 60 per cent of their total deposits that creditors have got back since the institution went into the hands of the receiver. And in this connection it seems no more than fair to give a great deal of credit to the receiver, Harold G. Murray, by whose diplomatic management the collection of large sums with scarcely a law suit or difficulty to be advised by the courts has been made possible.

No intimation has been given as to when the next dividend will be made nor of the size of it, but many are confident that depositors will not lose a cent by reason of the bank's failure. They have three fifths of the loaf now, which even if they cannot get the whole will mean much.

WIDOW'S LIFE ESTATE

Will of Late Robert Linderman of Ohiopyle Probated.

Under the will of the late Robert Linderman of Ohiopyle admitted to probate Wednesday his entire estate consisting of $250 in personal property and $3,000 in real estate goes to his widow, Rosa R. Linderman, for life then to a son and daughter. The will is dated April 16 last and recites the poor health of the testator. The witnesses are Dr. H. C. McClelland and John Adams.

In the will R. V. Ritenour was named as executor but he withdrew and letters of administration with the will annexed, were granted to the widow.

Preparing to Remove

The Kendall Lumber Company, which have operated a large mill in Kendall Somerset county for a number of years, have begun operations looking to the removal of their plant in the coming fall. They are felling up much of their timber and have reduced their working force to some extent. They will be in operation until the summer months to finish up their timber holdings at present in the early fall.

Buys Fourth Interest

Delbert Rush has sold a fourth interest in the McClelland hotel to Charles H. Gorley. The ownership of the hotel property is now vested in four parties, C. Orval Rush three eighths, O. K. Frey one fourth, C. H. Gorley one fourth and Delbert Rush one eighth.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, May 8, 1909.

Total Ovens	In Blast	Name of Works	Name of Operators	P. O. Address
[illegible]	100	Acme	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
80		Acme	Penn Coke Co.	Uniontown
[illegible]	200	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]		Alverton No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
104	104	Alverton No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10	10	Atlas No. 1	Cambria Steel Co.	Dunbar
337	380	Buggaley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
142	91	Bentz	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
175		Bethany	Magee Coke Co.	Uniontown
200	200	Bliner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
36	73	Bourne	Wharton Furnace Co.	Uniontown
130	130	Boyer	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
210	150	Brownlerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
216	104	Bukeye	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]		Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Company	Mt. Pleasant
[illegible]	200	Calumet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]	35	Carbo	Keystone Coal & Coke Co.	Greensburg
12	32	Carolyn	Perkins Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
338	200	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]	20	Chester	F. A. Humphries & Co.	Scottdale
170	160	Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Greensburg
178	70	Clarion	James Cochran Sons Co.	Dawson
50	100	Colbrook	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	200	Colliery	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
47	330	Continental No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
176	200	Continental No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	200	Continental No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
120	120	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
222	200	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10		Dexter	T. H. Shaffer & Co.	Scottdale
230	140	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40		Dunn	Dunn Connellsville Coke Co.	Brownsville
10	11	Eagle No. 1	Wheeler Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	1	Eagle No. 2	Wheeler Coke Co.	Uniontown
50	7	Edgeworth	Unity Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg
18	218	Elm Grove	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
18		Enterprise	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
166	120	Fay Hill	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
		Foundry	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Franklin	Frick Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
104		Frick	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10		Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
148	103	Grace	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
72	70	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
200	200	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
101	150	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
40	50	Hester	Hester Coke Co.	Everson
100		Henry Clay	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
70		Hope	Snyder & Wiley	Scottdale
[illegible]	210	Hostetter	Hostetter Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	0	Humphrey	Beehiver Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	61	Juniata	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
0		Junction	Marietta Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
6	164	Kyle	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	200	Lemontang No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
60	350	Lemontang No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
31	68	Lemontang No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
18	275	Leith	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
72	150	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
70	250	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20	20	Little Sunshine	Kurtz Coke Co.	Uniontown
32		Love	Connellsville Coal & Coke Co.	Scottdale
[illegible]	4	Madison	British Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10	0	Magee	Magee Coke Co.	Uniontown
10	200	Monongahela	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400	300	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20		Marion	Marion Coke Co.	Uniontown
40	40	Northwood	Northern Connellsville Coke Co.	Connellsville
165		Morgan	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
0	200	Mt. Braddock	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
160	160	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Connellsville Coke Co.	Greensburg, Pa.
10		Mullen	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10		Mutual	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]	72	Myers	Hemsfield Coke Co.	Uniontown
20	187	Nellie	Brown & Lochran	Dawson
121	240	Oliphant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
52	40	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
450	300	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
400	200	Oliver No. 3	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
60		Painter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
489	202	Paul	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
20		Pennsville	Pennsville Coke Co.	Pennsville
15		Percy	Percy Mines Co.	Percy
400	300	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100		Rainey	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
48	200	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
140	200	Revere	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
		Sarah	Harding & Byers	Scottdale
10	110	Semet Solvay	Dunbar Furnace Co.	Dunbar
[illegible]		Shannon	Shannon Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
36		Sifrey	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co.	Cokeburg
148	200	Shoaf	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
[illegible]	144	Southwest No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
72		Southwest No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10		Southwest No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
51		Southwest No. 4	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
51	61	Spring Creek	Cochran Bros.	Dawson
41	170	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
20		Sterling No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
152	112	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
11		Summit	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
10	40	Thorn	Whyel Coke Co.	Uniontown
4	42	Tip Top	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
434	200	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
32		Tyrone	American Coal Mining Co.	Pittsburg
10		Union	W. J. Rainey	New York, N. Y.
250	200	United	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Valley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50		Veteran	Veteran Coke Co.	Greensburg
50		White	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
5	200	Whiting	Westmoreland Connellsville Coke Co.	Pittsburg
50	50	Wylie	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
0	50	Yorkshire	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
211	140	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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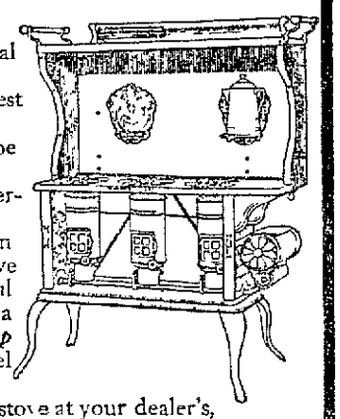

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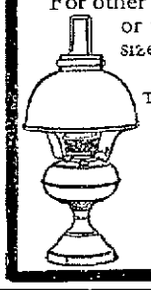

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WANTS ELEVATOR

Suit Brought Against Owen Murphy by H. J. Koontz.

UNIONTOWN, May 8.—H. J. Koontz has entered suit against Owen Murphy to recover an elevator roof blower and engine which Murphy holds and claims.

Koontz says he purchased the machine from D. R. Rogers and sold them to the Gorley & Hunter Coke Co., but Murphy claims to own the material.

New Operation

J. R. Carothers of Uniontown has purchased 50 acres of coal at Madison and will erect a 60 oven plant there. He paid $1,000 per acre for it.

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FOREIGN MARKETS IN THEIR RELATION TO COKE BUSINESS.

American Iron & Steel Associations' Annual Bulletin Informative on Foreign Conditions.

WHAT THE NATIONS PRODUCE

Italy's Figures Show Why She May Become a Market For American Coal and Coke—Industrial Activity of England and Germany.

The annual report of the American Iron and Steel Association for 1908 compiled by James M. Swank, General Manager, which has just been issued, throws some interesting sidelights on the business depression through which the country has passed. The failure of business conditions to improve more rapidly than has been the case is ascribed by Mr. Swank directly to the threat of downward Tariff revision, although he does not charge the entire depression to this cause. Mr. Swank says in this connection:

Whether or not the attitude of the new President toward the corporations of the country will be less meddlesome and dictatorial than that of his predecessor is yet to be determined, as is also the exact character of the new tariff bill which is now in preparation by the 61st Congress. If the country could be assured that President Taft will pursue a more conservative course than his predecessor, and that the new Congress will enact a tariff bill that will preserve in its details needed protection for all our industries, we feel sure that all business would at once revive and that the prosperity of the period before the panic of 1907 would at once be restored. The tone of the President's inaugural address is not reassuring. He speaks of the necessity of "the clinching of the reforms which properly bear the name of my predecessor," and that "in the making of a tariff bill the prime motive is taxation and the securing thereby of a revenue." There is food for thought in both these quotations. The inaugural also says that "there has been such a change in conditions since the enactment of the Dingley act that the measure of the tariff above stated will permit the reduction of rates in certain schedules and will require the advancement of few, if any."

The figures on general coke production throughout the United States which are submitted are of special interest to readers of The Weekly Courier. During 1908 total shipments of Pocahontas coke from the Flat Top region amounted to 1,819,311 net tons against 2,314,938 tons for 1907 and 2,056,006 tons in 1906.

Comparative statistics for several years show what was pointed out in the annual coke review of The Weekly Courier in January that 1907 was the high-tide year for coke production in the United States. The total production of coke in that record breaking year for the whole country is given at 49,779,561 tons, this being an increase of upwards of 4,000,000 tons as compared to 1906. Pig iron and other iron and steel products showed the same relative position during that year.

Figures as to industrial activity in other countries are of special interest at this time when American manufacturers and coal and coke producers are more than ever fixing their eyes upon the possibilities of foreign markets, in competition with the trade of the world. Canada is a large importer of iron ore. At the end of last year Canada had 16 completed furnaces of which ten were then in blast. Thirteen of these furnaces use coke and two other coke furnaces were partly constructed while another one had been projected.

Great Britain in 1907 produced her greatest coal tonnage and was importing almost one-third of her iron ore from Spain. The official Government statistics of the production of pig iron in Great Britain in 1907 show that the output in that year amounted to 10,114,281 tons, to produce which 25,123,759 tons of iron ore were used and 21,119,547 tons of coal were consumed chiefly as coke. The production of pig iron in the first half of 1908 was 4,633,353 tons, against an output of 5,194,712 tons in the first half of 1907. Production in the first half of 1908 was 561,359 tons less than the output in the first half of 1907 and 272,071 tons less than the output in the first half of 1906.

Germany's industrial activity during 1908 is indicated by the fact that last year she produced nearly 10,000,000 metric tons more coal of all kinds than she did in 1907.

As to the possibilities of electrical smelting of iron ore some records for France for the year 1907 are of interest. In that year France produced a total of 3,571,888 tons of pig iron and of this amount 17,740 tons were made with electricity. Practically the entire balance was produced with coke.

Italy is a possible future market for American coal and coke. Companies in the United States are now figuring on the possibilities of this market. At present, as is well known, Italy buys mostly English coal. Her own production is so small that it does not amount to the output of one good-sized American coal operation. In 1907 all the coal mined in Italy totalled only 453,137 metric tons. Her iron ore tonnage is also small, having amounted in that year to a total of 517,952 tons. There are about eight small furnaces in Italy and they made in that year but 112,223 metric tons of pig iron.

In startling contrast to some of the lesser European industrial nations, is the record of Japan in the Far East. It is estimated that she produced 13,716,458 gross tons of coal in 1907 which is an index to her growing manufactures of iron and steel and their finished products.

LINDSAY S. TINSTMAN DIES OF APOPLEXY

Prominent Mt. Pleasant Man Stricken While Planting a Hedge on Church Street Property.

MT. PLEASANT, Pa., March 8.—Lindsay S. Tinstman, probably the best known resident of town, is dead at his home on Main street. Mr. Tinstman had been ill only a few days and yesterday he visited one of his properties on Church street and it was while planting a hedge that he was stricken with apoplexy and died in less than an hour.

Mr. Tinstman was born and raised at this place and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Tinstman, pioneer residents of Mt. Pleasant. At the age of 18 years he engaged in business and during the past 40 years he has been engaged in the meat, grocery, and bakery business. He was also connected with the Farmers & Merchants Bank for several years. At the time of his death he was the proprietor of a grocery store on Main street. All through his life he was an earnest member of the United Brethren Church and was teaching a Sunday School class of about 20 young ladies. He always took an active part in everything concerning the church and the pastor and congregation will feel his loss keenly.

Mr. Tinstman was 60 years old and is survived by a widow and a sister, Mrs. Daniel Reamer of Franklin, Pa. He was a member of several branches of the Royal Arcanum and that order will turn out in a body to attend the funeral which will be held from his late home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. G. L. Graham, pastor of the United Brethren Church. Interment will be made in the local cemetery.

CANNOT RETURN TO THE OLD SYSTEM

Where Cash Road Tax System Is Once Adopted Judge Rules It Must Stay That Way.

Judge J. M. Woods last week handed down a decision in Bedford county holding that where a township once adopts the cash tax system, it cannot again return to the work tax system.

The Act of April, 1905, provides, "That any township may, by a majority vote of the electors thereof, at the February municipal election, after 30 days' prior notice thereof, change the system of taxation for working the public roads," and also that each township which shall have abolished the work tax shall receive annually from the State 15 per centum of the amount of road tax collected in the township.

In accordance with this law, the electors of one of the townships in Bedford county adopted the cash system, but after a trial the matter was again left to the electors last February, when a majority of the voters decided to return to the work tax plan. This, Judge Woods holds, they cannot legally do, and he has set aside the election.

DARR CASES WILL BE HEARD THIS WEEK

Damage Suits Arising Out of the Mine Disaster Among the 152 Cases Listed in Circuit Court.

The May term of the United States Circuit Court was opened at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning in Pittsburg, with Judge Joseph Buffington presiding. There are 40 jurors on the first panel called and during the next three weeks a total of 300 men will be there to serve on juries.

There are 152 cases on the trial list among which are those instituted by relatives of men who lost their lives in the Darr coal mine disaster at Jacobs Creek. In these cases the damages asked total nearly $1,000,000.

STATEMENT IS FILED.

Somerset Coal Company Makes Return of Financial Condition.

The Somerset Coal Company, incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania, has filed with the Massachusetts Secretary of State a statement of its financial condition, dated March 17, 1909, as follows:

Assets, coal lands $7,062,318; plant and equipment, $1,560,130; sinking fund, $22,063; miscellaneous, $10,775; current assets, $1,027,687, securities, $3,150; contingent assets, suspense account, total $9,687,121. Liabilities—Capital stock, $4,000,000; sinking fund, $320,877; miscellaneous $10,775. Funded debt—$3,618,000; current liabilities, $435,999; profit and loss, $1,301,479; total, $9,687,121.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN

The Lower Connellsville District

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, May 8, 1909.

Total Ovens.	In Blast.	Name of Works.	Name of Operators.	P. O. Address.
40	.....	Adah	Adah Coke Company	Uniontown
32	.....	Anica	Kame & Walkey Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	32	Annamyra	Leckrone Coke Co.	Uniontown
198	.....	Atcheson	Republic Iron & Steel Co.	Gans
30	.....	Baxter Ridge	Baxter Ridge Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
100	100	Bridgeport	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
470	470	Brier Hill	Brier Hill Coke Co	Uniontown
50	.....	Browning	Browning Coke Co	Uniontown
50		Brownsville	Brownsville Coke Co	Brownsville
426	350	Buffington	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
30	.....	Burchinal	Smithfield Coal & Coke Co.	Smithfield
300	.....	Fairbank	Strathers Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
22	8	Finley	Jas. Byrne & Co	Scottdale
205	167	Century	Century Coke Co	Brownsville
40	.....	Champion	Champion Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
34	.....	Coffman	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	450	Colonial No. 1	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
30	.....	Colonial No. 2	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
136	.....	Colonial No. 3	Colonial Coke Co.	Pittsburg
300	100	Colonial No. 4	Colonial Coke Co	Pittsburg
142	70	Cyrilla	Hocks Coal & Coke Co.	Connellsville
120	20	Crystal	Sneedell Coal & Coke Co	Smithfield
250	200	Dearth	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
240	240	Donald No. 1	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
162	81	Donald No. 2	Consolidated Connellsville Coke Co.	Uniontown
30	30	Dorothea	Iron City Coal & Coke Co.	Pittsburg
44	24	Dorothy	Jacobs Creek Coke Co.	Uniontown
32	.....	E. Connellsville	E. Connellsville Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
500	350	Edenborn	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
148	100	Edna	Waltersburg Coke Co	Uniontown
80	80	Eleanor	Connellsville Standard Coke Co	Pittsburg
22	.....	Emory	South Fayette Coke Co.	Uniontown
400	350	Footedale	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
50	50	Francis	Sunshine Coal & Coke Co	Martin
80	.....	Fretts	South Fayette Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
31	20	Garwood	Dunlap-Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
58	.....	Genuine	Genuine Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
450	440	Griffin Nos. 1 & 2	Beaumer Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	100	Herbert	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
60	40	Hoover	James H. Hoover	McClellandtown
36	12	Hope	Hope Coke Co	Uniontown
100	.....	Hustead	Hustead-Semans Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
200	.....	LaBelle	Labelle Coke Co	Labelle
220	220	Lafayette	Atlas Coke Co	Helen
462	370	Lambert	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
516	340	Leckrone	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
400	400	Lincoln	Lincoln Coal & Coke Co	Scottdale
250	40	Low Phos.	Connellsville Central Coke Co	Pittsburg
100	.....	Marion	Southern Connellsville Coke Co	Connellsville
198	174	Martin	Woodside Coke Co	Pittsburg
202	100	McKeefrey	McKeefrey Coal Co	Lowber, Ohio
100	100	Millsboro	Jessup Coke Co	Pittsburg
60	.....	Murphy	Leland Coal & Coke Co	Star Junction
231	.....	Newcomer	Newcomer Coke Co	Newcomer
52	34	Old Home	W. J. Marshal	Uniontown
400	200	Orient	Orient Coke Co	Higbytown
54	18	Parshall No. 1	Parshall Coke Co	Uniontown
168	168	Parshall No. 2	Parshall Coke Co	Uniontown
30	.....	Perry	Perry Coal & Coke Co	Pittsburg
72	.....	Plumer	Plumer Coke Co	Plumer
400	.....	Republic	Republic Iron & Steel Co	Uniontown
120	50	Rich Hill	Rich Hill Coal & Coke Co	Gaston
353	209	Ronco	H. C. Frick Coke Co	Pittsburg
188	125	Royal	A. J. Rimer	New York N Y
350	250	Seanright	Seanright Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
260	170	Shamrock	Fayette Coke Co	Uniontown
100	100	Solon	Prospect Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
200	100	Sterling	Consolidated Connellsville Coal & Coke Co	Connellsville
150	80	Thompson No. 1	Thompson Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
240	60	Thompson No. 2	Thompson Connellsville Coke Co	Pittsburg
150	100	Teresa	Southwest Coal & Coke Co	Masontown
148	52	Tower Hill No. 1	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
281	170	Tower Hill No. 2	Tower Hill Connellsville Coke Co	Uniontown
100	.....	Virginia	Consolidated Coal & Coke Co	Uniontown
500	400	Washington No. 1	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson
500	494	Washington No. 2	Washington Coal & Coke Co	Dawson

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Connellsville and Cumberland Link Will Likely Be Built.

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Secured for Reorganization Purposes and the Original Plans for Building Connecting Link Will Probably Be Carried Out.

Every indication now points to the construction of the Wabash-Pittsburg Terminal railroad over the Alleghenies. The floating of a $100,000,000 mortgage in New York Friday has removed the financial difficulties that caused a delay in the construction of the link between Cumberland and Connellsville, and there is every reason to believe this work will now be taken up and carried to completion.

Practically all the preliminary details and all the surveys for the route have been made between here and Cumberland where the line connects with the Western Maryland railroad. The section from Baltimore to Cumberland was opened up more than a year ago and is already hauling an enormous tonnage, principally derived from West Virginia over the West Virginia Central, a Wabash line. The Wabash interests simultaneously with the surveying of the line from Cumberland to Connellsville took up options as the line was decided upon, a great deal of the property being bought outright while other strips were and are still held by options.

Recently engineers have been at work along the proposed route of the road between here and Cumberland, and it is reported that they are employed by the Wabash.

At the time that the project was abandoned it was stated that the work was only temporarily suspended and would be taken up as soon as financial matters could be straightened out. It is believed that this time has now arrived and that the road will be constructed as originally planned, connecting with the Pittsburg & Lake Erie on the West Side and with the Belt Line railroad into Pittsburg. The original survey makes the road nearly 10 miles shorter between Connellsville and Cumberland than the Baltimore & Ohio.

The violent rise in the stock of the Western Maryland Railroad Company on the New York Stock Exchange yesterday followed the news that the large security holding interests had decided on a plan of reorganization, now that the atmosphere has been cleared by Supreme Court decisions on the commodities clause. The scheme involves the rehabilitation of this property, the Wheeling & Lake Erie and Wabash-Pittsburg Terminal through a new $100,000,000 general mortgage.

Receiver B. H. Bush of the Western Maryland, who is also President of the Pittsburg & Terminal Railroad & Coal Company, said in Baltimore last night that the railroads of the Gould group would work out the problem very soon. He also touched on the reorganization plans.

It was the fear that the commodities clause would seriously interfere with the business of the Western Maryland which threw that system into the hands of a receiver, and a year ago the stock sold down to $5 a share. Yesterday it sold at $28.

John D. Rockefeller is credited with being the largest stockholder in the road, and is said to control 40,000 shares. John W. Gates is another important interest in the affairs of the corporation.

It was said last night that the plan of reorganization is in the hands of Kuhn, Loeb & Company, of New York, who, with Blair & Company, have been financing the Wheeling & Lake Erie since the road failed to meet its obligations, and they are also closely identified with the Wabash-Pittsburg Terminal situation.

CAUGHT BY FALL.

John Rutherford at the Cottage State Hospital With Injuries.

John Rutherford is at the Cottage State Hospital suffering from injuries sustained as the result of a fall of slate in the mines of the Durbar Furnace Company Monday afternoon. He has an injured back a cut in his right cheek and his left leg is paralyzed. It is not likely that his injuries will prove fatal. He is aged 27 years.

Objects to New Road.

Objection to the report of the viewers who laid out a new road in Franklin township were filed yesterday by the Pittsburg Coal Company. It is claimed the report includes two roads, instead of but one, and that the viewers entirely overlooked the fact that the road is wholly on the property of the company upon whom notice was filed.

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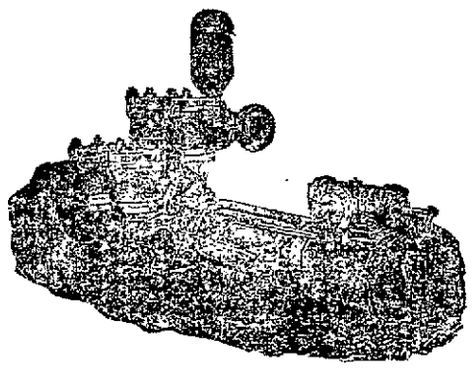
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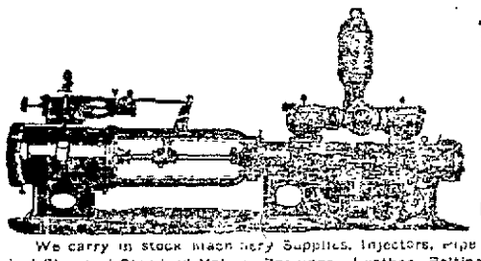
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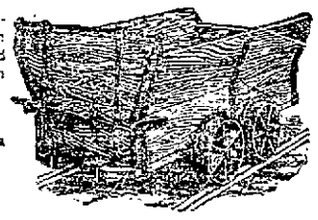
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THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 6, 1909

THE MELANCHOLY DANES OF THE COKE REGION

The Connellsville News which has never pretended to an extensive or an exhaustive knowledge of the Connellsville coke trade yesterday printed the following editorial which is remarkable only for its reiteration of a few well established and fully recognized facts and the wonderfully wrong conclusions drawn therefrom

Since the announcement of the proposition to combine the independent coke companies in the Connellsville region into one organization or more correctly stated to have the independent companies sell out to a proposed corporation all that has been said in regard to it has been of a laudatory nature The conditions have been tempting and the display of a desire to turn over holdings into the combine has been almost unanimous in the region

While we hesitate now to throw cold water upon the organization plans we urge operators and owners of coal not to forget that the Connellsville coal is the best coke coal in the world The vein is the most accessible places is becoming exhausted Operations in the Greene county field where deep shafts have to be sunk everywhere will cost a great deal more than in the districts nearer Connellsville where the coal can be easily reached The manager company with small capital cannot well operate in the Greene county field therefore and the coal in Fayette county is naturally going to increase in value As time will also increase the price of coke Combines never formed for the purpose of decreasing prices on the market

The proposition looks good to the smaller independent operators during these hard times which the promoters of the project selected is the psychological moment for broaching it to them but they should think seriously and conclude that they will some day have no cause for regret before they move to turn over their holdings to the combine There are no facts more certain than that times are going to get better but there is no coal like the Connellsville coal and that with the great part of it in the hands of a few the independent operator will be obliged to pay increased prices from the present coke user who want Connellsville coke and whose supply will be limited by the combines

The value of Connellsville coal and Connellsville coking plants is well known to the merger interests and to the operators and as it requires two to make the bargain it is likely that the bargain will be satisfactory or that it will not be made Neither the operators nor the merger people would know their business very well if they did not know the physical value of Connellsville coke properties

But while the value of Connellsville coking coal lands is fairly stable the PROFITS OF MANUFACTURING COKE will always be uncertain UNTIL THE OPERATORS FORM SUCH A COMBINATION AS IS NOW PROPOSED by John W. Pontefract and his associates

It will undoubtedly be within the power of such a combine to reduce the price of coke from the present profitless condition a condition which has obtained for the past year but it will also be within its power to MAKE COKE AT A PROFIT WHEN SMALLER OPERATIONS CANNOT DO SO

Increased prices for independent coke therefore may or may not prevail The position of the independent will be more uncertain than ever But assuming that he escapes being crushed between the Scylla and the Charybdis of two gigantic coking interests absolutely without incentive to antagonism but with every incitement to work together in perfect harmony HOW MUCH BETTER OFF WILL THE INDEPENDENT OPERATOR BE?

If he has a GOOD THING in increased prices for independent coke won't he have a BETTER THING AS A PARTNER with an equitable interest in THE BIGGER FIRM which will be in position to make relatively LARGER PROFITS?

The coke merger pessimists remind us of Melancholy Danes soliloquizing something after the following fashion

To merge or not to merge—that is the question?
Whether 'tis better business to suffer
The bitter sorrows of profitless coke
Or to take up arms against a sea of troubles
And, by opposing end them? To merge—to make
A trust—and by that trust to say we end
The heartache of the many notes we owe
To banks and others—'tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wished

To sell, mayhap to lose—ay there's the rub
For in that sell or what dreams may come
Of gains we might have had by holding on
Must give us pause There's the respect
That makes a calamity of coking life!
For who would bear the whips and scorns of strikes
Short car supplies the railroad's contumely
The pangs of despised coke the pills delays,
The insolence of buyers and the

system has reinforced its finances by the placing of a bond issue of $10,000,000 is brought with much satisfaction to Connellsville and the Upper Youghiogheny community

The Wabash has acquired the Western Maryland railroad and to make it valuable it is necessary to connect it with the Wabash system at Pittsburg This was evidently the original intention since surveys were made from Cumberland across the mountains and down the Youghiogheny and Youghiogheny rivers down the opposite shores from the Baltimore & Ohio system Right of way agents were active and many rights were secured over Things looked business like until the late financial storm struck Wall street when it was announced that because of the difficulty in procuring funds the enterprise was for the time being abandoned

The influx of money in New York and such times together with the promise of better railroad busin as have doubtless led the Gould interests to take up the work again We may therefore reasonably hope to have another railroad in Connellsville within the next year or two at most

Connellsville will continue to be a railroad Center of the Connellsville coke region

THE PRICE OF ICE IN CONNELLSVILLE

The open winter has resulted in what is called in ice famine in some localities and the production is freely made that ice may look for higher prices on ice this summer

There is no reason why this should be so in Connellsville The ice local consumers here do not have their ice from dealers in towns or cities They never bought ice in material ice They are mostly farmers exclusively

The cost of making ice is no greater to them than it ever was and consequently the price should be no greater We do not anticipate that it will be but if the ice man in the exercise of his power should attempt to hold prices he will have to face a strong movement on the part of the people to open up the trade to brewery competition

And it is not to be expected that the courts will sanction organized extortion

WERE NO STARTLING REVELATIONS TO MAKE

The pessimistic Johnstown Democrat insinuates that the Western farms are still plastered with mortgages Editor Bailey is firmly convinced that no good can come out of Republican Israel and he just won't believe it He says

Why did the Republicans refuse in the session of 1909 to continue the inquiry into farm mortgages and home ownership? The Democratic majority of 1889 certainly had produced an very startling revelations

The answer is simple The Democratic mortgages of 1890 have all been paid off under good Republican times There were no mortgages and no startling revelations to make

Some of our foreign friends evidently think they have caught on to the ways of the American farmer they are badly mistaken it is true that they have lent money on farms but they understand why it is so difficult to foreclose and why it is difficult to collect interest when it is due

The farmer of which plenty of them are left is a shrewd man of business and he knows how to take care of his interests

The fate of the coke merger will be entirely determined by its ability to show that it can make a success of the business with a profit to the owners and at the same time give the consumers of coke a fair deal

Uniontown reports having landed a Roman beauty while sawing wood and sixing them to Mud Island We congratulate the Uniontown Merchants Association on its enterprise but we

THE ARONA EXPLOSION AND ITS EVIDENT CAUSE

The latest mine explosion is different from all the others and it furnishes a further proof of the contention of the Connellsville coke operators that the present mine law is sufficient if it is enforced and that the chief offenders against the code are reckless miners

The Arona mine disaster was not a gas explosion It might have occurred in the open air just as well as in the pit It was caused by the explosion of a 5 pound can of blasting powder which it is alleged was being smuggled into the mine against the rules of the company

The chief mystery of the explosion is how the powder became ignited Powder is usually confined in tight sheetiron cans with screw stoppers Whether the powder was ignited by an electric spark from the trolley wire or by a burning match or cigarette it dropped into it at some point but it must have been open if so nothing could have been more careless

The Arona mine explosion needs a rigid investigation

ANOTHER RAILROAD COMING INTO CONNELLSVILLE

The announcement that the Wabash

The Advantages of the Coke Merger And the Dangers of Independence.

The proposed merger of the independent coking operations of the Connellsville region has apparently reached the stage where all those who want to get off the wagon and have good soft seats will have to get a move on and execute their options

While the underwriters have been patient thus far, they now insist upon the deal being framed up so that they may see just what is expected of them in the financial line and it is evident that this much is due to them Much of the delay has been legitimate The operators wanted to know whether the options were being taken by responsible parties or whether they were being gotten for purely speculative purposes that is with a view to peddling them as one operator is reported to have aptly expressed it It is now pretty well understood that the proposition is simply backed by capital and that it is a legitimate movement to merge the coking interests into one big corporation

A combination of these disintegrated and warring interests is universally admitted to be most desirable to promote profits by eliminating ruinous price cutting and extravagant costs in coke making and the combination is impossible in any other way than that proposed It is the plan by which all industrial combinations have been made The greatest difficulty in making such combinations is that of getting them properly financed They require millions of backing It is necessary for the underwriters of the new corporation to be prepared to buy every share of its stock if called upon to do so that is if the independent companies selling to the combination on demand spot cash for their option prices

The present opportunity is therefore one to be grasped by the independent operators The experiences of the past year have demonstrated that it is possible to be placed in a position where valuable properties may be dissipated that is to say where the necessity of operating at prices which barely cover the cost of mining and coking means the actual giving away of the most valuable bituminous coal in the world

Independence sits very well when demand for coke exceeds the supply and prices sustain themselves without an effort But the coke trade like all other industrial interests has periods of adversity as well as of prosperity and at just such times the independent is put to the test Some of the smaller interests are suspected of urging the merger while standing out themselves with the idea that the merger will sustain them in the will to pay big prices for individual coke

This theory is untenable The merger corporation will be able to manufacture coke at less cost than any smaller operator can possibly produce it and in times of short demand and shrinking prices he will be at this extreme disadvantage

But he will be threatened with worse conditions than this He will be compelled to meet the market and sell at profitless prices After his contracts are made he may find that his larger competitors in business are selling at prices yielding a good profit to them Industrial interests which are able to take advantage of the market should be good enough to have for partners and competitors in business dangerous as competitors

This is in no sense a threat but merely a pointing out of conditions which experience has demonstrated are likely to occur

Candidate Dumbauld's Platform One Term for Fayette County Judge.

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H. S. DUMBAULD.

The Democratic voters of Fayette county who on June 5th, will choose a candidate for Judge have a right to know the attitude of their candidate upon questions of party and public policy

The two questions most frequently asked are

FIRST

Will you if Judge in Fayette county hold to one term or two terms?

SECOND

How can the corrupt use of money at elections as well as deals and bargains be eliminated from Fayette county politics and elections be made to express the will of the people

In fully stated my views as to the first question I am absolutely in favor of the one term policy and if nominated and elected will retire at the end of the term without using or misusing the powers of the office to secure a renomination or to choose my successor

My reasons for this position are

I

The Democratic party is committed to the one term rule in Fayette county

II

My distinguished opponent is committed to the same policy

III

The Republican party is committed to the same policy

IV

The only Republican candidate who has expressed himself upon this subject is committed to the same policy

V

I have always been an advocate of this doctrine

As evidence of the above facts I submit the following

(a) In 1897 Edmund H. Cooper defeated Nathaniel Ewing for the Republican nomination for Judge. Cooper is reported to have stated publicly upon the two term issue

(b) In 1899 Robert E. Umbel was successful against Judge Nathaniel Ewing at the general election. He was County Chairman and those who worked with me for Judge Umbel used with much effect the two term argument against Judge Ewing

(c) Judge Umbel himself in his personal canvass at that time made use of the two term resolutions of Judge Ewing as an argument in his favor

(d) In 1907 Judge C. H. Reppert went down to defeat before J. C. Van Swearingen the deciding argument being the fact that Judge Reppert was seeking a second term

From which it is plain that both parties and all the candidates are or have been committed to the one term policy

The Democratic party cannot afford to reverse its position in this direction if I have changed my view on the subject

As to the second question—

I am unqualifiedly opposed to the use of money in elections. Liquors and corporations are the means of securing votes and are unanimously opposed by any organizations, deals or combinations which enable the so called leaders of one party or more to control the nominations of both parties without consulting the wishes of either party

I believe that the present is an opportune time for a turning out of the county politics the Lincoln influence of orders that this is a good time to no more and elect a judge without the use of money and liquors

I think the people of Fayette county that will discuss so solution from fair high grounds and in a manner as will reflect the well on every respectable business recognized as lawful

I promise to do that I will use every means at my command to prevent the use either for or against me and will at the risk involve all the process of the law against anyone attempting to influence votes by bribery direct or indirect. I don't want a tainted nomination and I want to see that no man else gets such a nomination

Fayette county is entitled to a judge on merit and efficiency and I will spend my four years hard to get it

If nominated and elected I will administer the affairs of the office to the best of my ability

1 To secure a prompt economical and equitable administration of all business coming before the court

2 To secure equality before the court to all litigants

3 To secure uniform compensation to all officers special rules and prerogatives to none

4 To assure an honest and economical collection of all money due the county from the courtroom and where a judge has jurisdiction

These are the convictions I entertain upon the subjects and I solicit the support of all citizens who believe that their carrying out would make for better government in Fayette county

HORATIO S. DUMBAULD

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If nominated and elected it shall be my only aim and purpose to interpret the laws and see that they are administered fairly and impartially. If elected I will not enter a contest for reelection

Some may say the Common Pleas Court should be non partisan that a Democrat should be elected this year

In my judgment a one term policy would conserve the interests of all the people more than a non partisan one. With such a policy our judges would be independent and our Courts out of politics

The best man in the opinion of a majority of all the voters of the County and not of one party only should determine who shall be Judge

I therefore submit my candidacy to the favorable consideration of the voters

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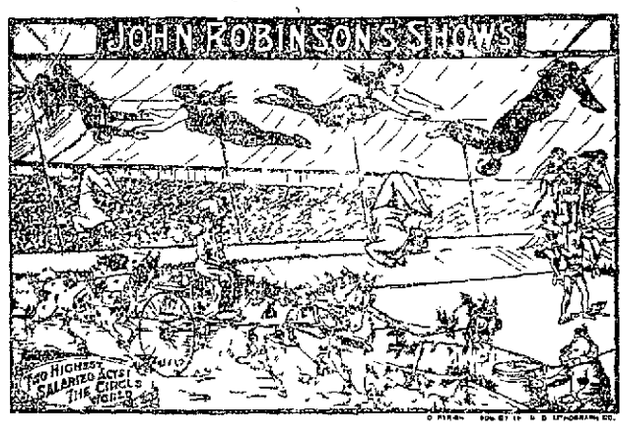

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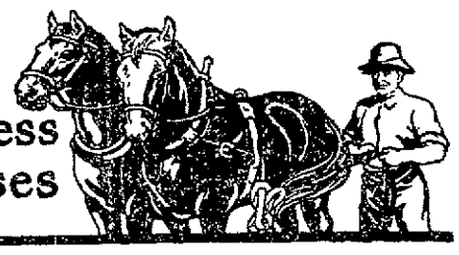

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BROTHERS AND SISTERS GET VERY SMALL SUM

Estate of James Jeffrey of Everson is Apportioned Among Six Who Get Less Than $ 00

UNIONTOWN May 11—Judge Van Dyke this morning filed down an order for distribution of the estate of the late James Jeffrey of Everson which was $2 [illegible] among six brothers and sisters in Scotland Jeffrey died on March 1 [illegible] intestate. Price C. Cole was named administrator and Cyrus E. Wood appointed executor

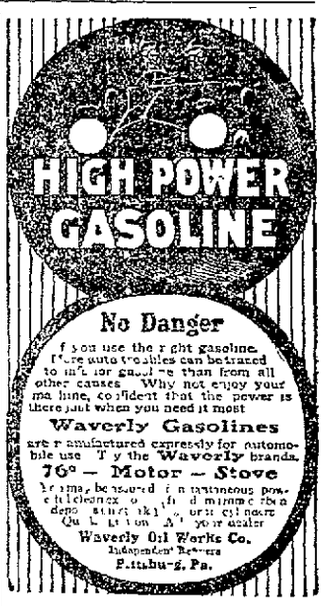
At the time of filing Judge Van Dyke was not satisfied with the evidence and advised a rehearing at the May term of court This was done and the facts were presented to the court with the distribution as stated

FILE PAPERS

Another Republican and Prohibition Candidate for Poor Director

Isaac H. Hill of Henry Clay township filed his papers as one of the candidates for the Republican nomination to Director of the Poor

E. E. Harford salesman of North Union township filed a Prohibition petition for Poor Director



Granted Marriage License

[illegible] of Connellsville and Miss [illegible] of Pittsburg were granted a marriage license in Pittsburg Saturday

AUDITORS' REPORT.

Statement of the finances of Fayette county, Pennsylvania, with account of disbursements for the year 1908, as compiled from the books and papers of the County offices

Including also the report, and surcharges of the Board of County Auditors

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COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNT

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Paid to Register Assessors	[illegible]
Paid to A. Hitchcock & Attorneys	1344 15
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Ft. Marion Bridge	
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Paid to J. B. Hogue County Engineer	1381 [illegible]
Paid to B. & O. R. R. freight on cement	[illegible]
Paid to W. J. Haggett	[illegible]
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Moser Bridge	
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Total	[illegible]
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Paid to York Bridge Co.	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
Meadow Run Bridge	
Paid to York Bridge Co.	[illegible]
Mill Run Bridge	
Paid to Nelson & Evans	[illegible]
Paid to Nelson Construction Co.	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]
Sundry items for new bridges	[illegible]
Bridges Repaired	
Paid for material and work on bridges $1014 [illegible]	
Keller House expenses	[illegible]
Bonds Redeemed	[illegible]
Commonwealth Witness Costs	[illegible]
Telephone	[illegible]
Constable Costs in Commonwealth Cases	[illegible]
Court Reporters	[illegible]
Court Interpreters	[illegible]
Commissioners' Salary	[illegible]
Commissioners' Clerks	[illegible]
Commissioners' Attorney	900 00
Paid to J. J. Huggins, R. E. Index Court Surveyor	[illegible]
Paid for County Commissioners' Exchange	[illegible]
Paid Court Criers and Tipstaves	[illegible]
Paid District Attorney and Assistants	[illegible]
Paid Dispatch Hospital Inquests	[illegible]
Paid for Dieting Jurors, Justices and Constables	[illegible]
Paid for Printing Expenses in County	[illegible]
Paid to Farmers' Salary	[illegible]
Paid for Court Lines	[illegible]
Paid to Tax Office County Auditors	[illegible]
Paid for Coroner's Expenses	[illegible]
Paid for Coroner and Fish Fund	100 00
Paid for Inquests Coroner	[illegible]
Paid for Inquests	[illegible]
Paid for Burial Coroner's Office	[illegible]
Paid for Burial Commissioners	[illegible]
Paid for Burial Jurors	1000 00
Paid for Burial Sheriff's Office	[illegible]
Paid to Jurors	[illegible]
Paid for Light, Heat and Gas	[illegible]
Paid for Medical Examiner	[illegible]
Paid for Transportation of Insane to Hamilton Home	[illegible]
Paid for Printing, Binding and Stationery	[illegible]
Paid for Stationery	[illegible]
Paid for Supplies	[illegible]
Paid for Postage	[illegible]
Paid for Telephone	[illegible]
Paid for Rent	[illegible]
Paid for Furniture	[illegible]
Paid for Repairs	[illegible]
Paid for Insurance	[illegible]
Paid for Water	[illegible]
Paid for Electric Light	[illegible]
Paid for Janitor	[illegible]
Paid for Janitor Supplies	[illegible]
Paid for Janitor Service	[illegible]
Paid for Janitor Service	[illegible]
Paid for Janitor Service

WAR VETERAN DIES SUDDENLY.

Herman Fosbrink Walks From Garden to House Where He Expires.

OLD AND YOUNG ARE TAKEN

Mrs. Rhoda Piersol, Aged West Side Lady, Elbert G Wright a Baltimore & Ohio Engineer and Young Frederick Bloom Are Among Those Who Answer Summons

After working for several hours in his garden Saturday afternoon Herman Fosbrink aged 69 years a Civil War veteran and a well known resident of Breakneck dropped dead soon after entering his home Death was due to heart failure Mr Fosbrink had been in apparently good health and his sudden death came as a great shock to the members of his family and many friends Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o clock from his late home and from the Mt Olive Church at 2 45 o clock Interment at Mt Olive Cemetery

Deceased was born in Germany and has been a resident of Breakneck for many years He is survived by his widow, Sadie Fosbrink and the following grown children Samuel and John Fosbrink of Irwin Mrs Jerry King, Mrs Austin Ritenour Miss Lucinda Fosbrink Mrs Michael O Donnell, Mrs Joseph Dawson Mrs Philip Yourkin and Mrs Mary Limhoff Two brothers John and Garrett Fosbrink, and one sister Mrs Mary Henry also survive

Mrs Rhoda Piersol

Mrs Rhoda Piersol aged 78 years widow of the the late Lewis Piersol died Monday morning at 1 o clock at the home of her son Holland Piersol on Main street, West Side, after a months illness of a complication of diseases Funeral from the Piersol residence Wednesday morning at 10 o clock Services and interment at Flatwoods about 1 o clock Rev J S Jewell pastor of the Flatwoods Baptist Church will officiate

Mrs Piersol was born in Franklin township June 30 1831 She was a daughter of James and Rhoda Ritenhouse Blair November 1830, she was married to Lewis Piersol, who died September 1 1901 She was a devout member of the Flatwoods Baptist Church having united with the church in 1847 under the pastorate of Rev William Woods With the exception of Mrs Narcissa Essington of Cadiz O, Mrs Piersol was the oldest surviving member of the church in point of service She was widely known in and about Franklin township and was well known in the West Side, having since the death of her husband spent the greater part of her time with her son Holland Piersol She is survived by two sons Holland Piersol and Alva Piersol of the West Side The following brothers and sisters also survive Obediah and Christopher Blair of Star Junction Milton of Perry Okla. William Blair of Harrison City, Mrs Mary Hair of Midway, Pa and Mrs Elizabeth Piersol of Belle vernon

Elbert G Wright

After a lingering illness of spinal trouble Elbert G Wright aged 34 years two months and eight days a well known Baltimore & Ohio engineer, died Sunday at his late home on Hyndman street south Connellsville Mr Wright has been ill for over a year During his sickness the best of medical attention was given him but with no avail Sunday a week ago he returned home from John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore where he took treatment for three weeks He also spent some time at Hot Springs Ark. Funeral services were held from his late residence Tuesday morning at 10 o clock Rev E A E Pamquist pastor of the First Baptist Church officiated Interment in Hill Grove Cemetery Division No 50 B of L E will have charge

Mr Wright was born and reared in Virginia About five years ago he and his family came to South Connellsville where they have since resided Prior to that time they resided near Cumberland He was a member of Division No 50 B of L E His widow and two children Harry and Mabel survive He is also survived by his father and several brothers

Frederick Bloom

Frederick Bloom aged 10 years seven months and two days little son of C F and Margaret Albright Bloom died Sunday at the family residence No 403 Francis avenue after a lingering illness of pneumonia

BULLET IN LUNG.

Constable George Thomas Shoots Man in a Fight at High House

UNIONTOWN Mt 10—Constable Thomas shot and probably fatally wounded Pete Sheppa Saturday night The wounded man was left lying in bed for several hours when Dr W T Messmore of Smithfield arrived and had him removed to the hospital

Thomas alleges that he arrested Mike Horwat at the house and was about to leave with him when he was assaulted by a large number of men Sheppa's companions allege that the officer was in a rage when his prisoner was taken from him and assaulted Sheppa who was not concerned in the affair

DIED.

Mrs John Burnham

After a lingering illness of several months Mrs Laura Stewart Burnham wife of John H Burnham died at her home in 81 Grant street Uniontown Friday at 10 o clock of kidney trouble Born in Connellsville December 7 1842 she came to Uniontown many years ago and has resided here since She leaves a large circle of friends having been very prominent in W C T U circles She was a devoted and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church nearly all her life Mrs Burnham was the first of her family to pass away Her husband and the following children survive Misses Edna Laura and Juliet and John A at home Mrs William C Black and Mrs Harry W Foster Uniontown Mrs George W Hibbs of Monessen and Harry L of Youngstown O

CONFLUENCE May 10—Mrs Eliza Coughenour died very suddenly at the home of her son Andrew Coughenour of near town Mrs Coughenour was born in Northampton township Somerset county June 15 1836 and was 73 years 10 months and 19 days of age Deceased had lived in this vicinity for a number of years and her many friends will regret to hear of her death She is survived by the following children John Coughenour of North Carolina in the cotton seed oil business Andrew Coughenour Dumas G W Coughenour of Lockhart in the milling business and W H Coughenour proprietor of the Pixley Side Hotel and Calvin Coughenour of this place Funeral services will be held in the M E Church Friday at 11 o clock Rev Ringer the M E minister, will officiate Interment will be made in the Dunbar cemetery

Mrs Rebecca Hout.

MT PLEASANT May 10—Mt Pleasant Works lost one of its oldest residents when Mrs Rebecca Hout died at her home here Monday night at the advanced age of 93 years She was born near Mt Pleasant 93 years ago and had been a widow for 40 years She was a life long resident of Mount Pleasant being well known here She is survived by two sons John Hout a farmer of Riverside of this place and W H of West Newton and two daughters Mrs Margaret Pearce of Irwin Mrs Mary Bridge and one daughter Mrs Margaret Pearce Interment will take place Thursday afternoon and services will be conducted by Rev Leatherman pastor of the Lutheran church Interment in the local cemetery

Henry Dill

Henry Dill aged 67 an old and highly respected resident of Brownfield died on Wednesday at his late home Mr Dill was a veteran of the Civil War having enlisted at the age of 16 years He fought bravely for his country and was highly esteemed by his comrades His widow and six children survive

Robert Lewis

Robert Lewis aged 70 years and colored died Monday night at his home at Dunbar Mr Lewis was born in Virginia and has resided in Dunbar for many years Funeral tomorrow at 10 o clock Interment in Hill Grove cemetery

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FAYETTE COURT RECORDS.

Deeds Recorded, Marriage Licenses and County Expenditures.

Stephen L Wadsworth et ux et others to Alfred P Franks for one fourth interest in 84 acres in German township $1,2170 April 24 1908

Asa E Huggins et ux et wife to Frank L. Bowers for 8 in Point Marion $1700 March 1909

Joseph Helinkin and wife to Lina Osthoene for lot in Washington township $1,350 April 26 1909

Roy J Wakefield and wife to Mike Sztudinsk for lot in Redstone township $300 May 1 1909

McClellan Leonard and Lee Smith to Daniel Lenger for two lots in Falkner avenue, North Union township $400 March 19 1909

Cyrus Ballard and wife to Basil B Brownfield for four lots in Braddock street South Union township $500 December 21 1908

Levi Frost et ux et others to John M Staley for lot in Baker alley Second Ward Uniontown $400 May 1 1909

William J Hough to Fayette City Real Estate Improvement Company for lot in Fayette City $1000 April 1 1909

Jonathan Linteman to Sadie Nicholson for lot in Connellsville township $300 May 10 1909

Sadie Nicholson to Charles A Brougher for same of $125 December 17 1908

John G Hibbs and wife to James M Arefield for five lots in Dellwood avenue Third Ward Uniontown $1000 April 2 1909

School district of Uniontown borough to Free of Uniontown congregation for lot in Fayette street Uniontown $7601 January 7 1909

Delbert Rist and wife to Charles H Corley for one-fourth interest in McClelland heirs property Year to Uniontown, $2100 April 21 1909

Jesse P Winebrenner and wife to Edmund C Mills for lot in Walnut street Uniontown $500 May 1 1909

Amy A Darby and husband to Emma C Goodwin for lot in Redstone township $200 August 6 1908

Robert H Gregg et al wife to James Hart for lot in New Haven township $750 March 1 1909

Robert H Wright et ux to Dawson Borough Council for lot in Dawson $400 October 7 1908

Mrs Virginia Nixon to James P Winterbottom for lot in Cleveland avenue Uniontown $450 April 10 1909

John A M Combs and wife to Frank Clebex and wife for 100 perches land in Menallen township $1110 April 1 1909

Charles Abbott and Clara Abbott to Mike Baker and wife for 255 perches in Washington township $1450 February 19 1909

Martin Hope to Jacob T Dawson for two tracts of land in Springhill township containing 142 acres $2400 April 20 1909

William A Huston Cumberland Md to John Rittenberger for lot in Connellsville $1500 April 9 1909

Roy J Wakefield and wife to Vincenzo Gatti for lot in Fairdale Redstone township $750 April 10 1909

Marriage Licenses

James Lees and Lizzie J Rider both of Uniontown

Charles A Kable and Pearl A Hillis both of Everson

James E Dorsett and Isabella B Moser both of Connellsville

Irving Kolbeck and Mary Polly both of Perryopolis

Stan Sniscak and Pauline Solc both of Ohiopyle

W H Jenkins and Ella B Smith both of Vanderbilt

Charles E Miles and Ethel Richter both of Connellsville

County Expenditures.

John A Hebb for services in securing witnesses in jail investigation $10

James Stark repairing and cleaning five bridges in Washington township $10

A B Hutchinson, treasurer, justices and witnesses costs $928

Same petit roll boarding jury and for repairing $5447

Same inquest jurors and taking care of bodies $50

Same Commissioners traveling expenses Inspecting bridges $78

Same constables' and justices costs $25 54

Same sundry bills $2807

A D Lequette grave markers deceased soldiers $2150

I H Mechling salary as Commissioners Clerk $125

Alex McBeth County Detective salary and expenses for April $114 07

M W Byers clerk salary $75

Elmer B Mahaney clerk salary $75

Robert Powell clerk salary Feb ruary March and April $100

Same interest on court house bonds $1 coupons $500

Harry Stickler clerk salary $75

A E Hutchinson witness court house employees to May 1 $8 40

Same jury roll court criers tipstaves to May 1 $8 40

Total $4,107 18

Administrator's Notice

ESTATE OF BENJAMIN BOYD Deceased Letters of Administration on the Estate of Benjamin Boyd late of Bullskin township Fayette County Pa deceased having been granted to the undersigned notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment and to those having claims or demands against the same to present them for settlement NELSON BOYD Administrator Ohiopyle Pa Stanhope Pa

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Register and Clerk's Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL whom it may concern that the following accounts have been filed in the Register and Clerk's office in Uniontown in and for the county of Fayette in the State of Pennsylvania and the same will be presented to the Honorable the Court of said county for confirmation on Monday the 17th day of May A D 1909 and will be acted upon thereon at that time

Administrators Accounts

First and final account of William A Fletcher administrator of the estate of Samuel Fletcher late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Mary A Willis administratrix of the estate of Joseph Willis late of Jefferson township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Wesley Willis administrator of the estate of Joseph Willis late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Jesse Cook administrator of the estate of John Cook late of Dunbar township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Mary A Knipp administratrix of the estate of Michael Knipp late of Uniontown Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Jacob Lenhart administrator of the estate of Jacob Lenhart late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Jacob Lenhart administrator of the estate of Mary Lenhart late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and partial account of John A Knipp administrator of the estate of Mary Knipp late of Dunbar township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Thomas J Jones administrator of the estate of Margaret Jones late of Luzerne township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Oliver Moore administrator of the estate of Magnolia Moore late of Brownsville Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Oliver Moore administrator of the estate of Ferdinand Lincoln deceased

First and final account of John Moore administrator of the estate of Lydia Matthews late of Markleysburg Fayette county Pa deceased

First and partial account of W S Craft administrator of the estate of Nancy Craft late of Bridgeport Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Lena Leonard administratrix of the estate of Charles Leonard late of Brownsville Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Lina Lewis administratrix of the estate of Jacob H Lewis late of South Union township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Pitt Cobb executor of William Bosley administrator of the estate of Greenberry Bosley late of North Union township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Harry Lee Infourat executor of the estate of Mary E Infourat late of Uniontown Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of O Dawson Commissioner of the estate of Rufus Dawson deceased

First and final account of C W Lenhart administrator of the estate of Jacob Lenhart late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Henry Mier administrator of the estate of John B Stauffer late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Citizens Savings and Trust Company administrator of the estate of James H Treasure late of Bellevue Fayette county Pa deceased

First and final account of Hannah M Miller administratrix of the estate of Caleb Miller deceased

First and final account of Jacob Lenhart administrator of the estate of Sarah Lenhart late of Springhill township Fayette county Pa deceased

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Nickelet Amusement Company.
Norris & Hooper, shoes.
Warshal, A., groceries.
Weaver, Nick, groceries.
Numvalo Condelli, jewelry.
Campbell & Company, groceries.
Pendleton & Hood, brokers
Palladino & Corado, groceries.
Palladino, Rocco, cigars.
Parole, M. A.
Palladino & Carado, brokers.
Palladino & Carado, groceries.
Porter, J. Donald, broker.
Purinton, O. B., broker
Paroli, M. A., restaurant.
Richstein, B., merchandise
Rovaneck, F. V. & Company, brokers.
Rosenblum, Jacob, clothing.
Rittenberg, A. C., groceries.
Ross, Frank, groceries.
Rudolph, E. F., groceries.
Ragan, C. E., groceries
Russ, James, groceries.
Ross, Frank, groceries.
Reynolds, H. R., cigars.
Reynolds, H. R., restaurant.
Rendine, M., groceries
Fretts, D. D., Casino Amusement Co., pool room.
D. D. Fretts, Casino Amusement Co., confections.
Renner, J. A., confections.
Mitchell, C. C., pool
Schell Hardware Company, hardware.
Smith House, cigars
Scardaponi, R., cigars.
Scott, W. R., groceries.
Sedorskey & Reppert, furniture
Sinclair, D., groceries.
Schmitz, C. E., estate, merchandise.
Silcox, Albert, meats.
Solsson Theatre.
Singer Sewing Machine Co
Skinner, John B., hardware
Saumaker, Charles, plumbing.
Sandusky, Fred, groceries.
Silcox, H. L., meats
Spinnollo, Tony, confections.
Sambower, J. M., groceries
Sabarsky, M. L., music.
Claybaugh Brothers, vaudeville.
The Aaron Company, furniture
Tannehill, W. E. & Bro., books.
Gilbert, S. M., confections.
McCashion, William, plumbing.
Union News Stand.
Wesley, Arnold, restaurant
Wesley, Arnold, confectionery.
Wertheimer Brothers, clothing
Wallace, Wm. E., groceries
Welker & Son, gas fittings
Warshall, A., groceries
Wallace Furniture Company, furniture.
Weimer, Peter R., music
Wright-Metzler Company, department store.
Whitaker, C. E., groceries
Weaver, Joseph, groceries.
Ward & Jones, restaurant
Whaley, Miss Bertha, confections
Wyman Hotel, cigars
Yough House, cigars
Elliz & Simon, confections.
Young, J. M., groceries
Yesbeck, Thomas, merchandise
Weaver, Mick, groceries
Yough Plumbing Co., plumbing

DAWSON BOROUGH
Retail Dealers.

Blair, A. D., groceries
Blair, A. D., restaurant
Berston, M. A., jewelry
Central Hotel, cigars
Cochran, I. E., cigars.
Cochran, I. E., pool room.
Dawson House, cigars
Dawson Pharmacy, drugs.
Dawson Supply Company, merchandise
Edward & Parkhill, furniture
Hagerty, M. Mrs., groceries
Lowe, John C., merchandise
MacDonald, M. Mrs., millinery
McCune, A. C., feed.
McGill, G. C., merchandise
McDonald, Wm., plumbing
Oglevee, McClure & Co., lumber
Rush House, cigars.
Shelby, W. R., nickelodeon
Sechrist, W. A., hardware
Sherbondy, M. A., groceries
Sheppard, Harry, restaurant
Sheppard, Harry, pool room
Staman, Joe, clothing
Stouffer, J. C., drugs.
Worthington, groceries
Worthington, C. S., restaurant
Worthington, C. S., racket store

DUNBAR BOROUGH
Retail Dealers.

Basella, Andy, groceries.
Bowman, F., merchandise
Boyer, J. W., groceries
Central Drug Store, drugs
Cohen, W., merchandise
Cole, Henry, confections.
Centofonti, Enrico, confectionery
Doonon, Annie D., merchandise
Dunbar Hotel, cigars
Eason, E. C., drugs
Georgie, Andy, groceries
Gaddis, W. S., merchandise
Giorgio, Andriano, groceries
Hews, S. R. & Co., merchandise.
Hotel Central, cigars
Heurich, L., meats
Isaac, Mike, restaurant
Johnston, Peter, hardware
Paul, Price, restaurant
Kelly, J. F., jewelry
Cohen, W., clothing
Herr, S. F., restaurant
Marnell, Louisa, broker, out of business
McGee, R. J., merchandise
Mike, Isaac, confectioners
Martin, S. G., furniture
Marrell, Lewis A., groceries
McGibbons, Harry, drugs
Herr, S. F., confectionery
Mustort & Kori, confectionery
Nemon, S. M., drugs
News Stand
Passiacqua, D. & Bro., groceries
Rockwell & Randals, pool room
Stroud, J. B., paints
Soldona & Viscountr, brokers.
Smith, H. P. & Son, meat
Swearingen, George H., merchandise
Scott Brothers, merchandise
Silverman, Albert, cigars
Silverman, Sol, merchandise
Tavalier, Jake, shoes
Williams, D., merchandise
Wagner, Christ, bowling alley
Wishart, Andrew, groceries
Wilson & Wishart, merchandise.
Wagner, Christ, bowling alley

DUNBAR TOWNSHIP.
Retail Dealers

Blacha, William D., Dunbar, groceries
Berlick, T. F., Leisenring, merchandise
Barron, Johan, Adelaide, groceries
Black, J. F. & Company, Dickerson Run, merchandise
Brown, J. A., New Haven, groceries
Bell, Nick, Dunbar, groceries
Caiath, Tony, Dunbar, groceries
Calapolo, Ace, Juniatville, groceries
Feuher, George, Leisenring, groceries
Floyd, Hugh, West Leisenring, groceries
Hotner, N., Leisenring, groceries
Huey, William, New Haven, groceries
Hughes, G. P., Dunbar, groceries
Laparto, Joe, Adelaide, groceries
Litten, John H., Vanderbilt, groceries
Leisenring, F. H., Dunbar, merchandise
Livengood, J. C., Dickerson Run, groceries
McClintock, Andy, New Haven, groceries.
Malnor, Daniel, meats
Motsko, M. A., New Haven, meats
Oglevee Brothers, Dickerson Run, merchandise
Reed, W. J., Dickerson Run, lumber
Smith, P. G., Dickerson Run, groceries
Sido, Adolph, Dickerson, Run, confectioneries
Sido, Adolph, Dickerson, Run, pool room.
United Supply Company, Dunbar, merchandise.
Tramberth, Edmund, Dunbar, groceries
Wismesnki, Mike, New Haven, groceries

EVERSON BOROUGH.
Retail Dealers.

Sierise, P., confectionery
Barnum, S. C., groceries
David, Horten, groceries
Carter, John, cigars
Patrick, Solovri, pool room
Sundwig, Nowicki, restaurant.
Diob & C., Azar, dry goods
Everson House, cigar
Freeberg, Mrs. L., groceries.
Farra, Jacob, groceries
Farrah, Charles, merchandise
Feichler, Adolph, confectionery.
Hagerman, Mrs. C., groceries
Horn, J. C., groceries
J. W. Brooks, drugs.
Mulroy, Patrick, restaurant.
Mulroy, Patrick, confectionery
Reese & Son, merchandise
Ryan, John, groceries
Shimschock, Martin, confectionery
Shimschock, Martin, restaurant
Troph, Fred, merchandise.
Thompson, S., meats
Williams, Jack, Mrs., groceries
W. C. S. Company, out of business

FAYETTE CITY BOROUGH.
Retail Dealers.

Abrams, William, opera house
Bell, Frank, groceries
Bonda, Joseph, groceries
Bryner, M. G., news stand.
Campire, Frank, confectionery.
Cooper & Arozel, meats
Canghgi, Francesco, out of business.
Croushore, H. R., feed.
Fleming, S. O., confectionery
Fayette Real Estate, brokers.
Fairbank, Robert, groceries.
Faucett, Thomas, groceries.
Fayette Bargain Co., merchandise.
Ferlong, Baldum, restaurant.
Forsythe Furniture Company, furniture.
Furlong, Baldum, pool room
Fairbank, Robert, restaurant.
Ferris, George, plumbing
Gargan, James Mrs., groceries
Furlong, Baldwin, confectionery.
Methenson, M., groceries
Hamilton, J. H. C., groceries
Hamilton, J. H. C., restaurant.
Hare & Murphy, hardware
I. O. O. F., opera house
Johnson, George, book store
Knight Brothers, merchandise
Kline Brothers, merchandise
Ludlam, James, plumbing
Lytles Pharmacy, drugs
Middleton, J. N., merchandise
Miller & Williams, merchandise.
McKay, I. C., pool room
McCune, E. H., merchandise.
McKay, I. C., restaurant
Nutt, Jed, merchandise
Patterson, James, lumber.
Pfleghardt, John, shoes
Patton, D. B., drugs
Rice & Bailey, confections
Saber & Nathenson, groceries.
Shouffler, George, meats
Safer, M., groceries.
Sloterback, J. P. & Son, hardware
Steel Pharmacy, drugs
Safer, J. S., groceries
Spalter, W. & Company, dry goods
Samberg, M., groceries
Teggart, W. H., lumber
Theadgold, George, meats
Terecik, Andy, groceries.
Valley Supply Company, merchandise
Wainer, Andrew, groceries
Whetzel, J., groceries
Winer, L., clothing

FAIRCHANCE BOROUGH.
Wholesale Dealers

McCormick Lumber Company, lumber

Retail Dealers

Bird & Williams, plumbing
Ballsinger, Rebecca, groceries.
Baker, Cora L., harness
Bowlin, M., groceries
Bahnsen, August, meat
Thorn, restaurant
Chisholm, John, confectionery.
Chisholm, John, restaurant.
Carr, John, pool
Dunaway, M. G., drugs
Coen, M. C., groceries
Derby, John, lumber
Fairchance Racket Con. Dept
Frederick & Jox, feed
Fairchance Racket Store, out of business
Fairchance Novelty Company, groceries
Goodwin, F. P., merchandise
Golden, Sam I., merchandise
Humphrey, H., merchandise
Hotel Allison, cigars
Johnston, J. I., merchandise
Kovalchick, M. A., confection
Lyons, A., hardware
Lagcamp, L. A., confectionery
Marion, Joe, confectionery
McIlvre Brothers, merchandise
McCormick Lumber Company, lumber
Manesi, C. J., groceries
Rudenour, H. O., meats
Williams, J. C., furniture
Wilson, J. S., merchandise
Wood, I. I., groceries

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Brown, A. C. & Son, Waltersburg, feed
Berry Brothers, Uppermiddletown, merchandise
Garwood, M. I., Smock, merchandise
Hagerty, Pius, Uppermiddletown, groceries.
Seigel, H., Uppermiddletown, merchandise.
Townsend, J. A. C. F. I., Vanderbilt, F. D. 27, merchandise
Zink, Anthony, Smock, merchandise
Swaney, S. B., Waltersburg, meats

GEORGES TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Peese, B. J., Oliphant Furnace
Leckrone, G., Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, restaurant
Lyons, Miles, Smithfield, R. F. D. 6
Coates, G., Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, groceries
Posselli, I., Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, merchandise
Brownfield, F. B., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Bunge, Alex, Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, merchandise
David, W. H., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Kerr, C. D., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Kovalchick, Max, Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, groceries
Merritt, I. R., Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, merchandise
Mattrell, Antonio, Oliphant Furnace, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Mosier, A. V., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, merchandise
Martello, Jack, Uniontown, R. F. D. 2, groceries
Mosier, J. H., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, merchandise
Mitchell, Samuel, Uniontown, R. F. D. 2, groceries
Hitch House Supply Company, Smithfield, R. F. D. merchandise
Martrell, Antonio, Oliphant Furnace, groceries
W. I. Ruble & Company, Smithfield, R. F. D. 7, merchandise
Rhodes Brothers, Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, merchandise
Marx, Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Swaney, E. B., groceries
Tate, Fred, groceries
Newcome, V. D., Newcomer
Tate, I. S., Smithfield, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Walker, Hough, Fairchance, groceries
Warren Supply Company, Smithfield, merchandise
Ruble Mill Co., W. I., feed

GERMAN TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Atlantic Refining Company, Edenborn
Brown, Samuel, Adah, merchandise
Flecceri, Charles, groceries
Baldi & Flandree, New Salem, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Blanc, Joseph, Lambert, groceries
Linni, Louiga, Uniontown, R. F. D. 6, groceries
Barber Bros., McClellandtown, groceries
Fisher, Tom, McClellandtown, groceries
Barber, J. W., McClellandtown, merchandise
Prizzell, C. W., Uniontown, groceries
Hulm & Conn, McClellandtown, merchandise
Cupede, Mike, Masontown, groceries
Dugan, John & W. P., McClellandtown, groceries
Hartman, Joseph, Edenborn, merchandise
Johnson, W. N., Lone, merchandise
Lucek, Steve, Masontown, merchandise
Kantley, George, Masontown, groceries
Martina, Victor, groceries
Novick, Steve, Masontown, groceries
McConn, D. B., Gates, merchandise
Mosier, G. H., McClellandtown, merchandise
Norman, John, Adah, merchandise
Phillippi, Max, groceries
Penta, Rocco L., Uniontown, 3, groceries.
Sunshine Supply Company, No. 1, Masontown, merchandise
Sunshine Supply Company, No. 2, Masontown, merchandise
Sunshine Supply Company, No. 4, Masontown, merchandise
Rosenfield, J., groceries, out of business
Riffle, James A., Adah, groceries
Southern Supply Company, Masontown, merchandise
Ross, Annie L., Leckrone, groceries
Riffle, J. J., McClellandtown, restaurant
Riffi, W. A., McClellandtown, merchandise
Sisk, L. J. & Son, McClellandtown, merchandise
Shetty, Frank, Masontown, groceries
Salek, Mike, Masontown, meats
Spock, John, Leckrone, groceries
Southern Supply Company, Uniontown, merchandise
Tate, Ralph, Edenborn, merchandise
Vunker, M., Edenborn, groceries
Thorne, John M., Edenborn, groceries
Puritan Supply Company, McClellandtown, merchandise
Wright, R., Bonco, groceries
Weimer, R. P., McClellandtown, grocerie
Wright, R., pool room
Zubok, Joseph, Messmore, groceries
A. Trullamick, Masontown, groceries and meat.
Tower Hill Supply Company, No. 1, merchandise
Tower Hill Supply Company, No. 2, merchandise
Carmine, Lourito, McClellandtown, R. F. D.

HENRY CLAY TOWNSHIP.
Retail Dealers.

Chiss, Samuel C., Somerfield, merchandise
Eike, A. J., Tissue, groceries
Humberston, J. H., Humberston, groceries
Jacobs, T. J., Somerfield, merchandise
Rosenberger, S. S., Tissue, groceries
Spurgin, J. C., Thomasdale, merchandise
Thomas, M. R., Thomasdale, merchandise
Tissue, W. L., Tissue, groceries
Ohiopyle Company, Ohiopyle, merchandise
Tissue, J. E., Thomasdale, groceries
Umbel, H. R., Somerfield, merchandise
Wills, Joe, Thomasdale, restaurant.

JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Sim Rocco, Newell, groceries
Adams, Andrew, Newell, groceries
Baker, Matthew, Newell, pool room
Braznell Supply Company
Baker, Matthew, Newell, groceries
Becker, Bernard, Newell, groceries
Coldren, J. E., Newell, groceries
Corona, Valentia, Newell, groceries
Davidson, Millward, Newell, groceries
Harper, P. H., Newell, groceries
Shannon, Mrs. Annie, groceries
Tibes, A., Newell, confectionery
Lilly Run Supply Company, Republic, merchandise
Linn Supply Company, Braznell, merchandise
McCracken Supply Company, Braznell, merchandise
Mitchell, Mrs. W. R., Newell, groceries
Marsh, W. L., Tippecanoe, groceries
Russo, Sam, Newell, groceries
Wendt, Fred, Braznell, groceries
Frank Capazzi, Braznell, groceries
Mick, Williams, Grindstone, groceries

LUZERNE TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Antram, J. F., Heistersburg, merchandise
Christopher, Aaron, Merrittstown, groceries
Joseph Stancak & Co., out of business
Davidson, Miss F. J., Merrittstown, groceries
Lilly Run Supply Company, Republic, No. 1, merchandise
Reese, J. S., Republic, pool
Archibald, J. M., Uppermiddletown, confectionery
Brown, A. C. & Son, Waltersburg, feed
Meco, Larry, Brownsville, R. F. D. 49, groceries
Tony Metro, New Salem, R. F. D. 19, groceries
Mercer, James, New Salem, R. F. D. 19, merchandise
Pokovits, Harry, New Salem, R. F. D. 19, more address
Hurtzad, Seimans Supply Company, Uniontown, Pa., merchandise

MENALLEN TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Abraham & Hanna, New Haven, Pa., merchandise
Brown, Charles, merchandise
Brown, Howard, New Salem, groceries
Horvitz & Sullivan, groceries
Brown, A. C., Waltersburg, groceries
Bruslinger, N., Uniontown, groceries
Clevis, A. J., New Salem, groceries
Lavanni, Mike, New Salem, groceries
Durost, John, New Salem, groceries
Fairfield, Edward, New Salem, restaurant
Gossard, George F., New Salem, groceries
Gaill, Art J., New Salem, groceries
Todd, J. S., New Salem, groceries
Helphin, Dan, Uppermiddletown, groceries
Helphin, Joseph, Uppermiddletown, groceries
Hirsch, Jacob, Uppermiddletown, merchandise
Brown, J. H., Waltersburg, merchandise
Johnson, S. S., New Salem, merchandise
Irvina, Dick, New Salem, pool room
Irvina, Dick, New Salem, cigars
Jubilirt Brothers, New Salem, merchandise
Jubilirt Bros. & Krouse, New Salem, groceries
Kelly Supply Company, Uniontown, merchandise
Krouse, Frank, Uniontown, groceries
King, J. B., New Salem, merchandise
Kikta, Mat., New Salem, groceries
Klondike Supply Company, Uniontown, P. F. D. 1, merchandise
Kendig Supply Company, Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, merchandise
Lobst Supply Company, Uniontown, merchandise
Lafayette Supply Company, Hopwood, merchandise
Lusk, J. N., Hopwood, groceries
Klimoski, Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, merchandise
Marsell, H., Uppermiddletown, merchandise
Minor, F. A., Uniontown, R. F. D. 4, groceries
McCormick, S. J., New Salem, merchandise
Mick, J. A., New Salem, merchandise
Merrott, N., New Salem, fertilizer
New Salem Drug Store, New Salem, groceries
Osborne, W. W., Uniontown, Idlewild, groceries
Pitt, Mary, Dell, groceries
Prospect Supply Company, Uniontown, merchandise
Starr & Coddington, New Salem, merchandise
Sprague, J. A., New Salem, confectionery
Slammock Supply Company, New Salem, merchandise
Speight Supply Company, Uniontown, No. 1, merchandise
Stroble, Andy, New Salem, groceries
Stone & Sense, Front, merchandise
Solomon, James, New Salem, merchandise
Sarkis, L. C., New Salem, confectionery
Sabey, Hubert, restaurant, out of business
Thompson, A. J., New Salem, merchandise
Waltersburg Supply Co., Waltersburg
Waltersbrook, C. L., Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Wood, H. I., Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Wetzel, W. C., Uppermiddletown, furniture
Zaccanosky, Pete, New Salem, groceries
Zinolo, Frank, New Salem, merchandise

MARKLEYSBURG BOROUGH
Retail Dealers

Jeffries, I. I., hardware
Switzer, D. J., restaurant
Thomas & Son, merchandise
Cupid, W., merchandise
Thomas, T. M., groceries

MASONTOWN BOROUGH
Retail Dealers

Anderson, R. J., clothing
Bolich, D., broker
Bolich, D., confectionery
Lion, D. N., groceries
Barbinide, John, billiards
Dean, Henry, restaurant
Dean, Denis, confectionery
Connell, F. J., drugs
Dean, Henry, restaurant
Darrall, W. W. & Son, lumber
Johnson & Williams, restaurant
Gordon, Charles, restaurant
Higinbotham, Nellie, groceries
Hershfield, Henry I., merchandise.
Hurlesds, Frank, groceries
Howard, T. M. & Son, carriages
Hotel Leroy, cigars
Hepner, M., jewelry
Johnson & Williams, groceries
Johnston, H. A., paper
Hotel Altman, cigars
Gall, I. A., merchandise
Ketscher, Alma, meat and groceries
Kandyer, George, confectionery
Kail, L. A., broker
Turlo, Mike, groceries
Miller, I. H., merchandise
Masontown Hardware Store, hardware
Cirso, D. M., pool room
McDowell & Rhodes, meats and groceries
Mack, Alex, merchandise
Megulizzi, Antonio, pool room
Partridge & Hague, groceries
Florio, Pates, dry store
Rhodes Brothers, merchandise
Ramsey, L. I., supplies
Sheaf & Johnson, groceries
Sterling & Graham, merchandise
Sterling, L. I., plumbing
Sterling, A. I., groceries
Elliot, C. H., groceries
Tamchus Brothers, merchandise
Walkoff, Louis, merchandise

MCHOSKIN TOWNSHIP
Retail Dealers

Peel, Mrs. Ira, New Geneva, groceries
Campbell, W. W., New Geneva, merchandise
Davenport, William & Co., New Geneva, merchandise
Eberhart, H. S., New Geneva, feed
Fast, J. L., New Geneva, merchandise
Fell, Mike, Masontown, merchandise
Geneva Supply Company, Martin, merchandise
Gorodish, Joe, Masontown, groceries
Hofarth, P. J., Masontown, merchandise
Provance, J. H., New Geneva, groceries
Jacobs Creek Supply Company, Masontown, merchandise
Stone, S., Masontown, R. F. D. 15, groceries
Sandusky, D. D., New Geneva, furniture
Sunshine Supply Company, Masontown, merchandise
Southern Supply Company, Greys Landing, merchandise
Unity Mercantile Company, Masontown, R. F. D. 9, merchandise
Unity Mercantile Company, Griffin, merchandise
Culver Supply Company, Martin, merchandise

NORTH UNION TOWNSHIP.
Retail Dealers

Boyd, D. J., Uniontown, groceries
Berman Brothers, Mt. Braddock, merchandise.
Burke, Walter, Uniontown, groceries
Butler Lottie, Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Balog, John D., Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Boyd, A. J., Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Belli, Dan, Uniontown, groceries
Beatrl, Peat, Dunbar, groceries
Baluch, Andy, Uniontown, groceries
Baluch, Andy, Uniontown, meats
Bien, E., Vanceville Mills, groceries
Burke, Walter, Lulont, groceries
Cole, J. W., Mt. Braddock, groceries
Clayton, John, Lemont, groceries
Eureka Pipe Brick Works, Mt. Braddock
Fox, W. B., Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Fayette Supply Company, No. 1, Oliver, merchandise
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Galardi, Mike, Uniontown, groceries
Gaffey, Mat., Oliver, groceries
Humphrey, D. A., Coke Company, Vance Mills, merchandise
Luther, O. O., Lulont, groceries
Hudsofsky, Andy, Uniontown, groceries
Johnston, O. M., Uniontown, merchandise
Lovich, Tony, Uniontown, groceries
Long, Joseph, Uniontown, groceries
Lloyd, Hough, West Leisenring, groceries
Loftnich, William, Uniontown, groceries
Martin, W. H. & Son, Uniontown, merchandise
Maust, I., Hopwood, groceries
Meyer, Mrs. Emma, Uniontown, groceries
McPherson, J. F., Uniontown, groceries
McPherson, J., Uniontown, wine
Lyons, Frank, Mt. Braddock, groceries
Martin, W. H. & Son, Uniontown, R. F. D. 1, groceries
Rodhum, John, Lulont, groceries
Sciotino, Alfonso, Lemont, groceries
Wilson, J. W., groceries
Voss, Fred, Uniontown, groceries
Yakoch, John, Uniontown, groceries
Woods, Samuel, Mt. Braddock, merchandise
Woods & Matthews, City, merchandise
Walter, Eli, Montrose, groceries
Zelle, John, Lemont, groceries
Zelay, Mike, Uniontown, meats

NEW HAVEN BOROUGH
Wholesale Dealers

Wilson Sewing Machine Company, sewing machines
West Penn Fruit Storage, merchandise
Vogel, Martin, meats
Jenkins & Jenkins, fuel

Retail Dealers

Vanderlokt, Lumber Company, lumber
Baker, W. A., groceries
Cisco, B., groceries
Conn, H., groceries
Conn, H. C., groceries
Lohr, H. C., groceries
L. Shrom, confections
L. Shrom, restaurant
Grove, Walter, groceries
Crystal, Annie, confectionery
H., Cigars, cigars
Hotel, Cigars, cigars
Herbert, J. L., groceries
Hill, Frank, groceries
Jenkins & Jenkins, fuel
Jones, H. H., groceries
Jankowski, Wm., merchandise
Kowalowski, Wm., merchandise
Kerr, Mrs. Laura, restaurant
Lesnik, Simon, groceries
Long, H. H., fuel
Myers, S. S., merchandise
Hopwood, H., groceries
Mizer, J. S., groceries
Matsko, Frank, groceries
Mirkle, Frank, groceries
Mitchell, Mrs. A., groceries
Mitchell, J. H., groceries
Nowak, Stanley, groceries
Nowak, Stanley, groceries
Ohler, H., groceries
Oliver, H., groceries
Oliver, Mrs. Laura, groceries
Pitt, J. H., groceries
Pitt, J. H., groceries
Pitt, J. H.,

COAL DUST KILLS 150 ENGLISH MINERS

Disaster in the West Stanley Colliery Seems to Have Been Due to It.

DUST WAS DAMPENED, TOO

Inquiry Into the Disaster Showed That the Mine Was Otherwise in Perfect Condition and Regulations Were Closely Observed by Management

An inquiry conducted by a Coroner's jury recently as to the cause of the explosion in the West Stanley coal mine in England in which 150 miners lost their lives has resulted in the conclusion that the disaster was due to an explosion of coal dust British newspapers containing accounts of the inquest are at hand and some interesting matters were developed It was shown that the working conditions in the colliery were practically perfect in all other respects and the presence of coal dust seems to have been responsible for the heavy loss of life The management had a system for dampening the dust but this does not appear to have been sufficient. How soon the dust was watered before the explosion does not appear

The jury found that all the seams in the colliery were in safe working order, and that proper precautions were taken that the ventilation fan was of sufficient capacity that the lamps used were in good condition and properly locked that the colliery was properly provided with the necessary mechanical powers, that the officials were competent men that all rules had been complied with that the explosion occurred in the Busty seam and that it was due to a coal dust explosion but what was the cause of the ignition the jury were unable to find They added that no culpability attached to anyone

J P Hall manager at the time of the explosion said the explosives used were safety for shooting stone and monobel for coal Shots were fired electrically Each of the seams was dusty there being systematic watering He was in the pit on the morning of the day of the explosion and found everything satisfactory

The testimony of other mine officials was of the same character It was shown that coal dust was brushed up once or twice a week at the bottom of the downcast shaft and carried out of the mine All the lamps found after the explosion were locked and in good condition except a few which had suffered from outside blows evidently due to the shocks of the explosion How the coal dust was ignited remains a mystery The men of men who might be able to tell are dead The first evidence of the explosion on the outside was a ball of fire which shot up and out of the main shaft being followed by a roar and a cloud of thick black smoke The wires of the mine telephone system were blown together at the top of the shaft putting the system out of commission Experts who were present thought that the explosion might have been caused by an electric spark

Dr William M Thornton professor of electrical engineering at Armstrong College Newcastle-on-Tyne made experiments in court to show the effect of electrical sparks on coal dust and said the coal dust in the mine might have been thus ignited

POCKET COAL DISTRICT MAY FURNISH COKE

Lee County Virginia Comes to the Front With Deposits of Alleged Coking Coal

C A Fisher of the United States Geological Survey expresses the opinion that coke of average quality could be made from most of the coal deposits which are found in the so-called Pocket coal district in Lee county Virginia in the vicinity of Penning ton Gap

The district derives its name from the fact that it lies in a pocket or topographic depression surrounded on three sides by high ridges It is about 9 miles long and 4 to 5 miles wide and includes about 40 square miles With in this area there are 12 known workable coal beds and two more which may possibly be workable They have a combined thickness of about 54 feet and occur within a stratigraphic interval of about 2,000 feet

Coal has been mined from small banks in this district for many years to supply a small local demand but wood has been so plentiful and so cheap here that the native population has had little incentive to develop coal for domestic fuel The building of railroad lines into the district has led to increased interest in the coal deposits

To Test Illinois Coal

The Hart Williams Oil Company has made tests in the hope of coking its coal located in Franklin county Ill, where the company owns 1800 acres Several experimental ovens will be constructed at its mine at Benton, Ill

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FIELD NOTES—WEEKLY

Details of the new $15,000 000 issue of bonds by the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company part of a total authorized issue of $ 0 000 000 show that these bonds are secured not only by first mortgage on all the company's plants but also by the shares of a number of subsidiary interests covering the company's mining and transportation affairs which are among some of the best investments which the concern owns The company's book values are said to be extremely conservative being carried at the prices which it paid for properties during the past 7 years Values of these properties have greatly increased, owing to industrial development The bonds represent but a part of the company's assets

The Hall furnaces of the Republic Iron & Steel Company at Sharon have gone into blast Of 61 furnaces in the Pittsburg district 47 are now operating the highest number since 1907

The Wabash through B F Bush receiver for the Western Maryland Railroad has taken over the coke mines formerly operated along Wabash lines by the Pittsburg Coal Company to handle the traffic the Wabash-Pittsburg Terminal Railroad has ordered 15 heavy locomotives and 80 steel cars

Judge John B Steel of Greensburg has purchased 1,400 acres of coal in the Captina valley Belmont county O the deal gives him a total holding in that county of 8 000 acres of coal and makes him the third largest coal owner in that county

The Coal Mining Institute of America will meet in Punxsutawney Pa the last week in June It is the first time the Institute has met in Central Pennsylvania for some years and an unusually interesting program will be carried out

The Homestead steel plant is running at 7 per cent of its capacity on armor plate boilers and structural steel

The Carnegie Steel Company blew in its No 2 furnace at Duquesne last Thursday after nearly two years idleness

The closing of the Surbank plant of the Struthers Coal & Coke Company is due to the tearing down of the Anna stack which will be rebuilt

General Manager Thomas McCaffrey of the Bliss Hill plant is an enthusiast and runs for car when he can spare time from his official duties

The Coal Mining Inspectors Institute of America is scheduled to meet in Scranton Pa beginning June 8 The executive board will convene June 7 The program for this meeting has not yet been announced but the local arrangements are in charge of the inspectors of the anthracite region

The production of the blast furnaces of the country for April amounted to 1,731,000 tons compared with 1,584,024 tons in March

The Bethlehem Steel Company has blown in its fourth stack which had been out of blast

Owing to the improvement in pig iron and other metal it is not now probable that prices will be reduced If they should be a reduction in the wages of miners would be the signal for the iron trade to review

A sale of 1 000 000 tons of Westmoreland county furnace coke is reported Spot coke is weak in the West Virginia fields

The summer meeting of the West Virginia Coal Mining Institute will be held at Elkins June 11 and 12 An interesting program has been arranged including an address by Mr Mark Malloy Mitchell of the Mitchell Coal and Coke Company of Williamson President J B Hunter of the Institute is expected to preside and various technical mining questions will come up for discussion

The Carnegie Steel Company has put to work its rolling mill at Leechburg Pa which has been idle two years

The Oriskany Ore & Iron Corporation has blown in the furnace at Buena Vista having a capacity of 100 tons per day

The Pennsylvania Steel Company is running its No furnace steadily on the Maynard brand of steel which was previously produced from a foundry

Contracts have been let by the Detroit Iron & Steel Company for its new blast furnace at Detroit

The Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad has placed orders for locomotives to carry the mining traffic of the new extensions in the vicinity of Stone Mt Ky to be delivered by November 1

The W P Snyder interests will place its new steel steamer in commission on the Great Lakes next week The steamer was launched the first of this month

The combination of Portland cement manufacturers has cut the prices of cement for delivery in the Pittsburg district and Eastern Pennsylvania in other sections of the country The reason given is that the company wants to stimulate buying but the reduction will cause some of the independent cement makers to sit up in the traffic Attorneys for cement projects are at work in Pittsburg to enter the market with their product an interesting price war is on

SCHOONMAKER PRESIDENT.

Succeeds Joseph Wood at the Head of the Monongahela Railroad

Colonel J M Schoonmaker Vice President of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad Company has been elected President of the Monongahela Railroad He succeeds Joseph Wood of the Pennsylvania The executive officers of the Monongahela are changed every three years the Vice President being made President and the President being relegated to the position of Vice President The arrangement is due to the interests the different railroad companies have in the property Colonel Schoonmaker was Vice President under the last preceding administration and Mr Wood now becomes Vice President

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The Courier Coke List Is Ready

Our List of the Coke Ovens of the Connellsville and Lower Connellsville Regions their Railroad Connections and the names and addresses of the operators revised and corrected up to April 1 1909 has just been issued

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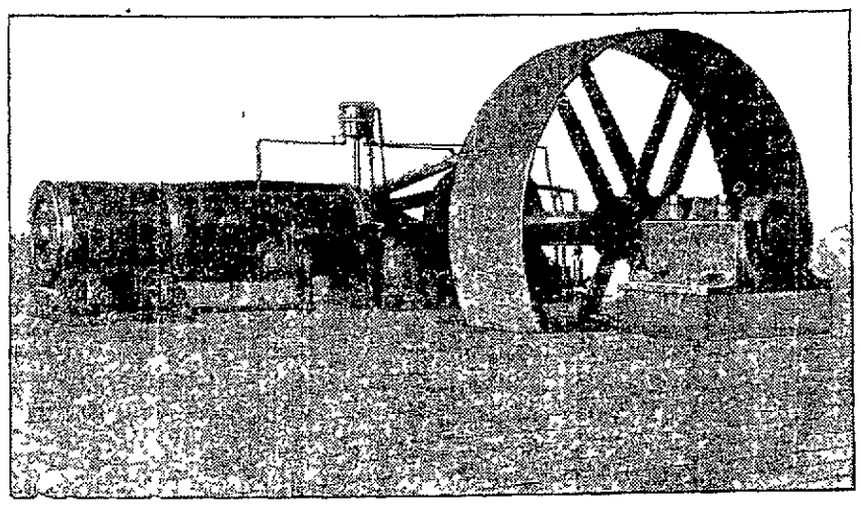

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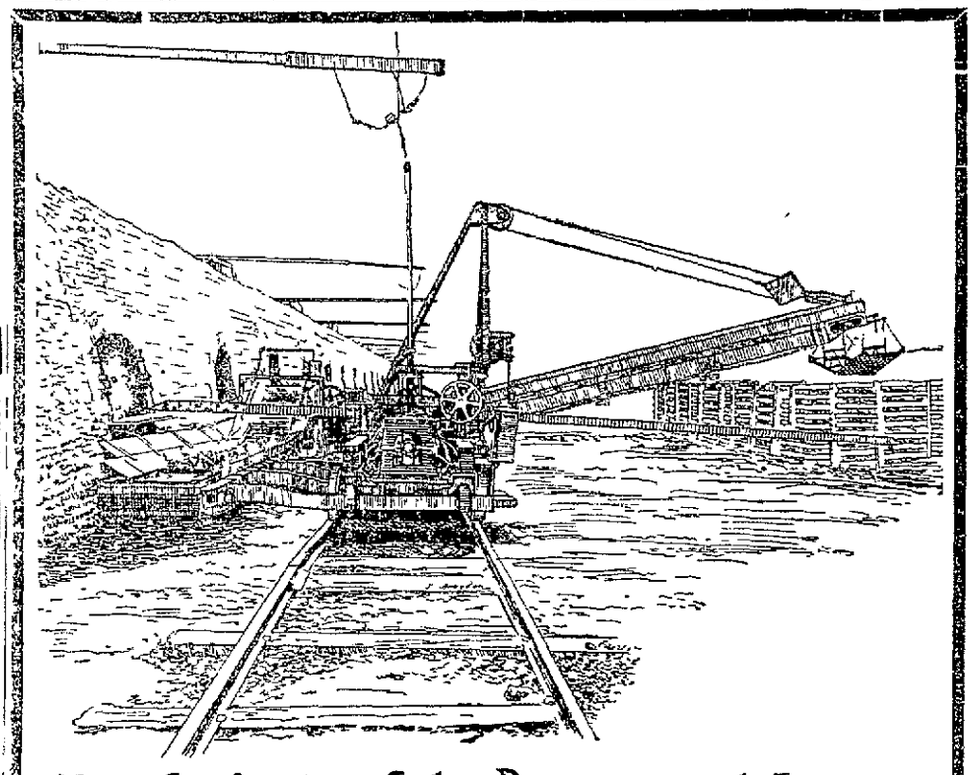

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